

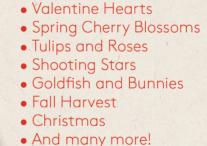
Handmade Japanese Decorations for Every Occasion





This is a simple and creative way to add touches of beauty to your home or celebration and to create low-cost decorations for weddings, anniversaries, holidays and other special occasions. Each month of the year is represented and you can endlessly vary the colors and materials, which are readily available online or in craft stores. The 33 versatile designs in this book can be used as wall and door hangings, table centerpieces, gift toppers, tree ornaments, doorknob hangers and picture frames.

Here are just a few of the seasonal and festive themes found in this book:



BEAUTIFUL ORIGAMI Paper Wreaths

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An Origami Decoration for Every Occasion

There once was a time when I was excited to present a new origami Christmas wreath design every year. My excitement would rise and fade in cycles for a number of years until I had an epiphany: "What if we had wreaths not only for Christmas, but for other times of the year as well?" It was then that I decided that I would create seasonal wreaths. Twenty years after that thought, I've put together a collection of some of my favorite creations in this book.

Origami wreaths are usually made of a simple modular ring, with other origami components (such as animals or flowers) glued to it. However, in this book I show you how to create and connect seasonally-themed modules to comprise the wreaths. I pride myself on creating origami modules with only my hands; no glue, no tape, nothing other than my creativity and pieces of paper.

There are various ways to make connections between the origami modules, but the simplest of these is tension, and because most of these creations are circular in shape, the force is evenly distributed—making assembly a snap.

To make a beautiful origami creation worthy of displaying in your home it's important to form each component precisely. To that end, you must fold each module with care; repeating the process of folding and unfolding. If you try to take shortcuts, such as stacking sheets to fold multiple pieces all at once, you will introduce inconsistencies that will ultimately cause your wreaths to be misshapen.

To create creases properly, you should you press down firmly with your fingers, and then reinforce the crease by running the back of your thumbnail along it to make it crisp. Origami paper is surprisingly durable, so don't hesitate to exert significant pressure to create solid creases—particularly when you need to fold multiple layers.

Once your wreath is done, you may also want to press it under something flat and heavy (like a large book) to give it that extra crispness that makes it appear as if it has been ironed. Doing so will also strengthen the connections between the modules.

Because the wreaths are made of simple lightweight paper, part of the fun is being able to secure them to surfaces with a single magnet or thumbtack. Most of the wreaths that you will be making will be flat, so they fit nicely inside envelopes for sending off to faraway friends.

These wreaths are fun to make, fun to fold, fun to assemble, fun to give as presents and fun to teach— There are so many ways to have fun with this book!



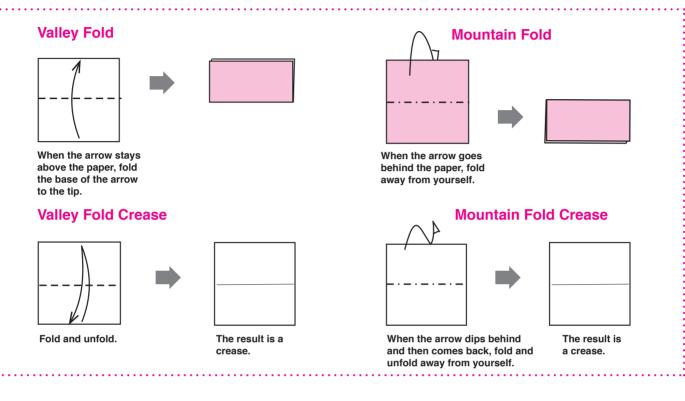
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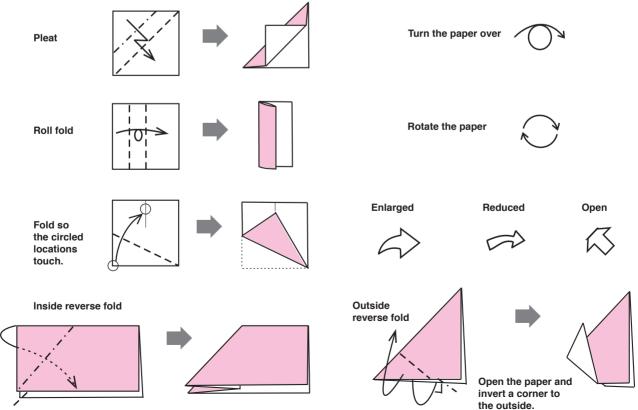
A Guide to Origami Folding Symbols

These maneuvers might be a little difficult to grasp at first, but if you fold along with the arrows, you'll be an origami pro before you know it.

Valley fold line (dashes)

Mountain fold line (dashes and dots)

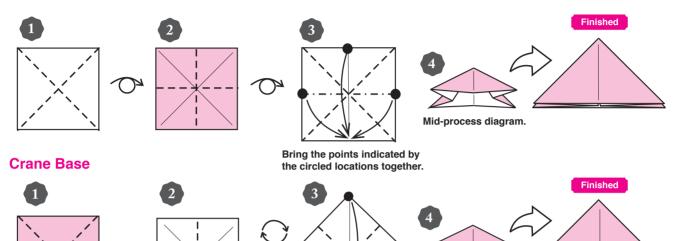




Two Common Origami Bases

These are simple preparatory folds that are often used in the first few steps of folding. The Water Balloon Base and the Crane Base both consist of folding and unfolding, and then folding the next step. These steps reduce the mismatch in folding the layers.

Water Balloon Base

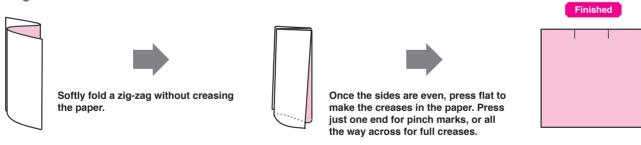


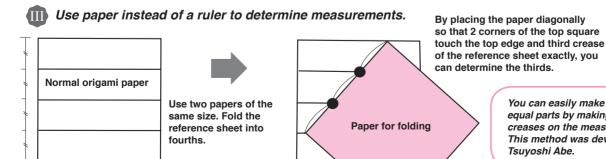
Mid-process diagram.

How to Fold a Sheet into Thirds

There are 3 ways to fold in thirds.

- Measure thirds with a ruler.
- Fold in zig-zags (the "quick and dirty"—and most common—method).

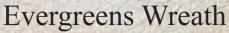




You can easily make five or seven equal parts by making eight equal creases on the measuring paper. This method was developed by Tsuyoshi Abe.







Instructions on page 36

The stylized pines in this wreath form a ring with a "clearing" where origami cranes can congregate.



Plum Blossoms Wreath

Instructions on page 38

When viewed from the front, this wreath displays several plum blossoms configured as if they are ringing a knot in a tree trunk. When viewed from the rear, this wreath displays the silhouette of a plum blossom in the negative space in the middle.





FEBRUARY

Simple Hearts Wreath

Instructions on page 40

Who wouldn't be thrilled to receive a bright red heart wreath from a loved one or secret admirer?

Sweetheart Wreath

Instructions on page 42

This clever wreath started out as an origami garland, but was transformed into a sweetheart wreath by one of my origami-folding friends.



Camellia Flowers Wreath

Instructions on page 43

Camellias are broad leaved evergreen shrubs that produce spectacular blossoms—the perfect subject for an origami wreath!



Simple Hina Dolls Wreath

Instructions on page 46

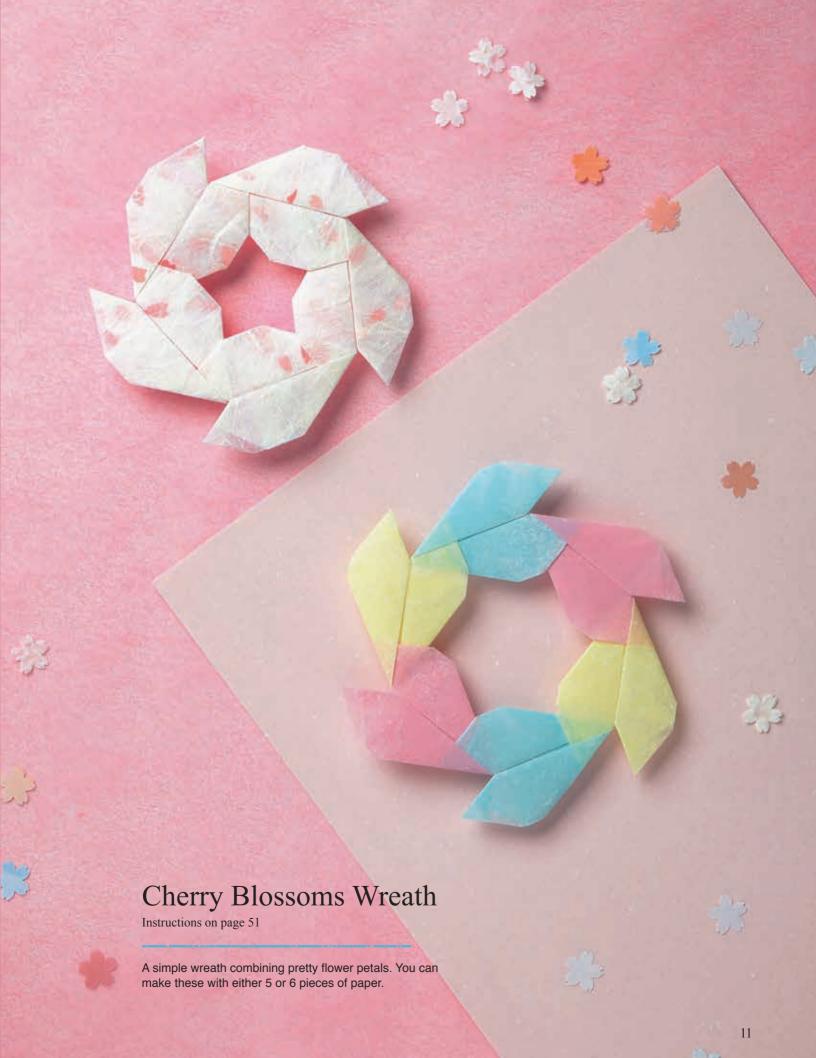
This simple wreath commemorates Hinamatsuri, a special annual March festival in Japan held to celebrate daughters' happiness, growth and good health.



Deluxe Hina Dolls Wreath

Instructions on page 48

This is a fun Hina Festival wreath combining various Japanese doll ornaments that are used to decorate Japanese houses in March.

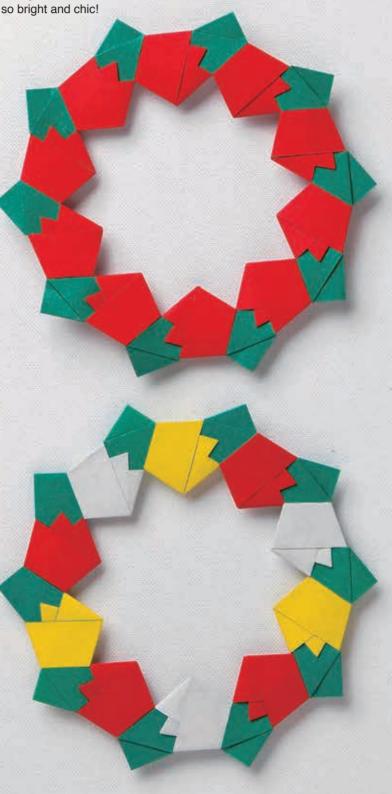




Knotted Tulips Wreath

Instructions on page 58

This is a wreath made with a traditional Japanese chiyo knot. Making this with red and green or yellow and green makes it look so bright and chic!



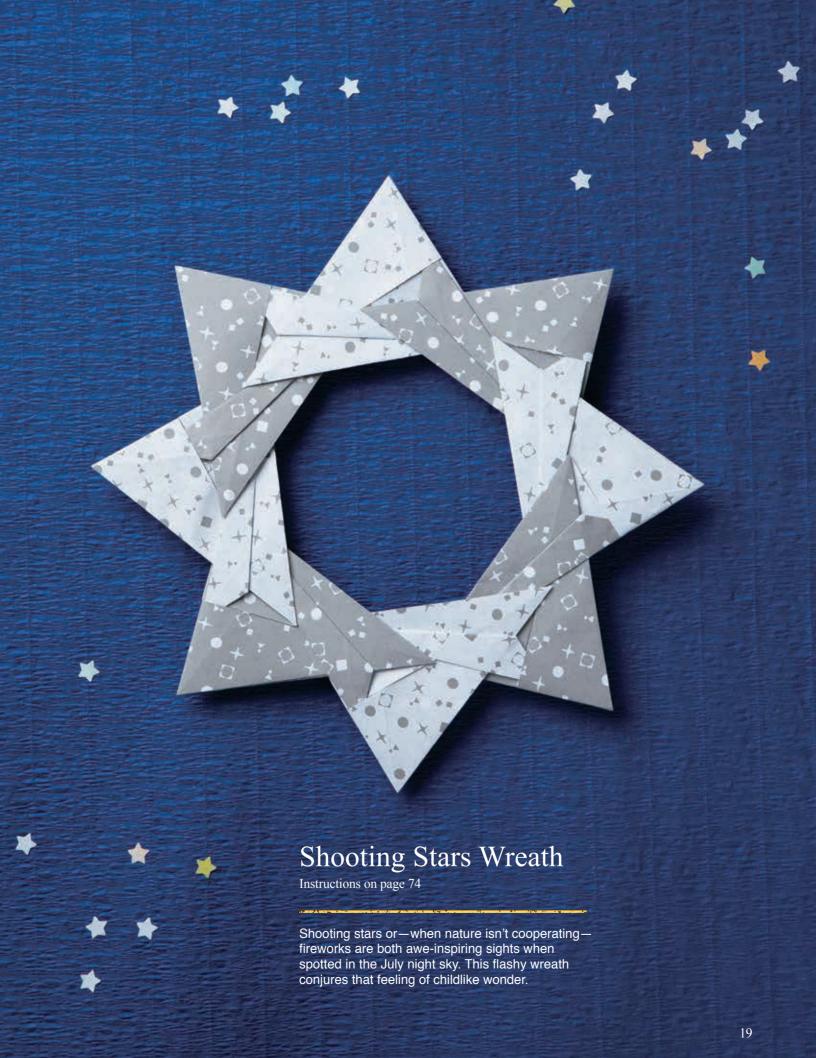




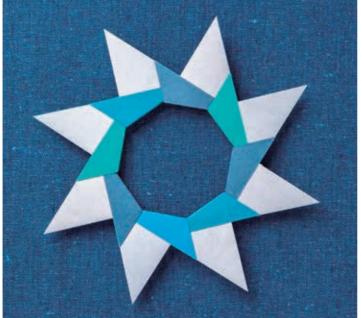




JULY Hydrangea Flowers Wreath Instructions on page 72 Hydrangea flowers herald the end of the rainy season. This wreath looks beautiful when you fold the modules from various colors such as red, blue, and purple. 18







Sailing Yachts Wreath

Instructions on page 78

This simple parade of white-sailed yachts forms a dazzling starburst to brighten any door or wall.







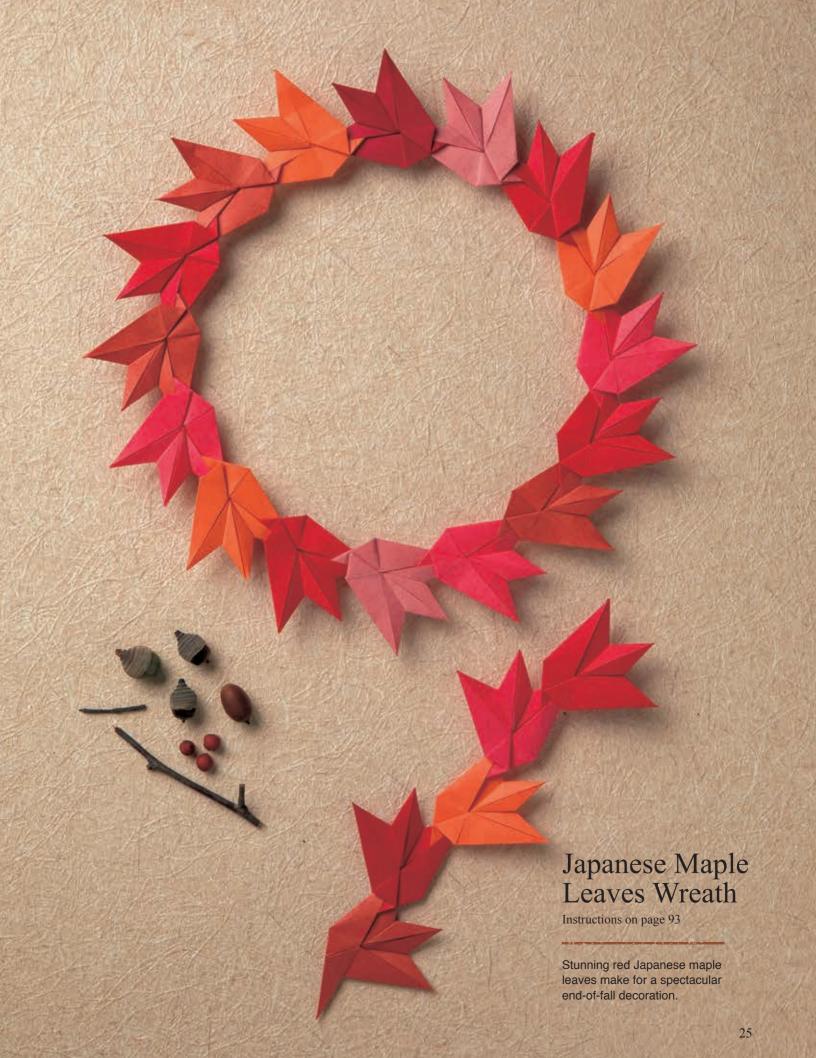




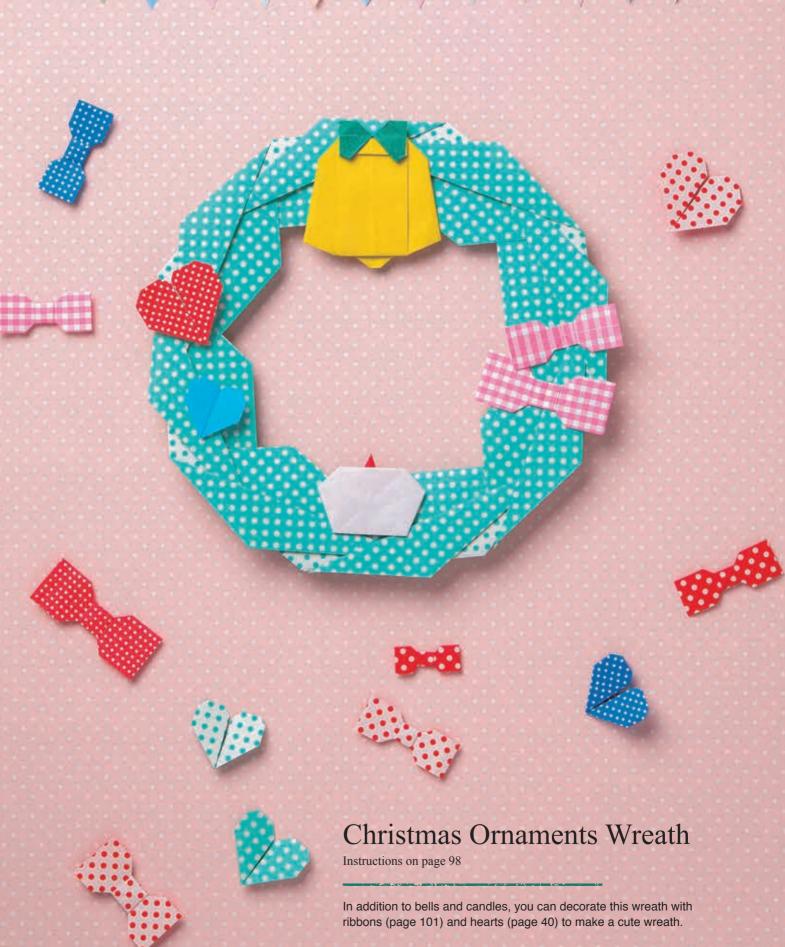
Fallen Leaves Wreath

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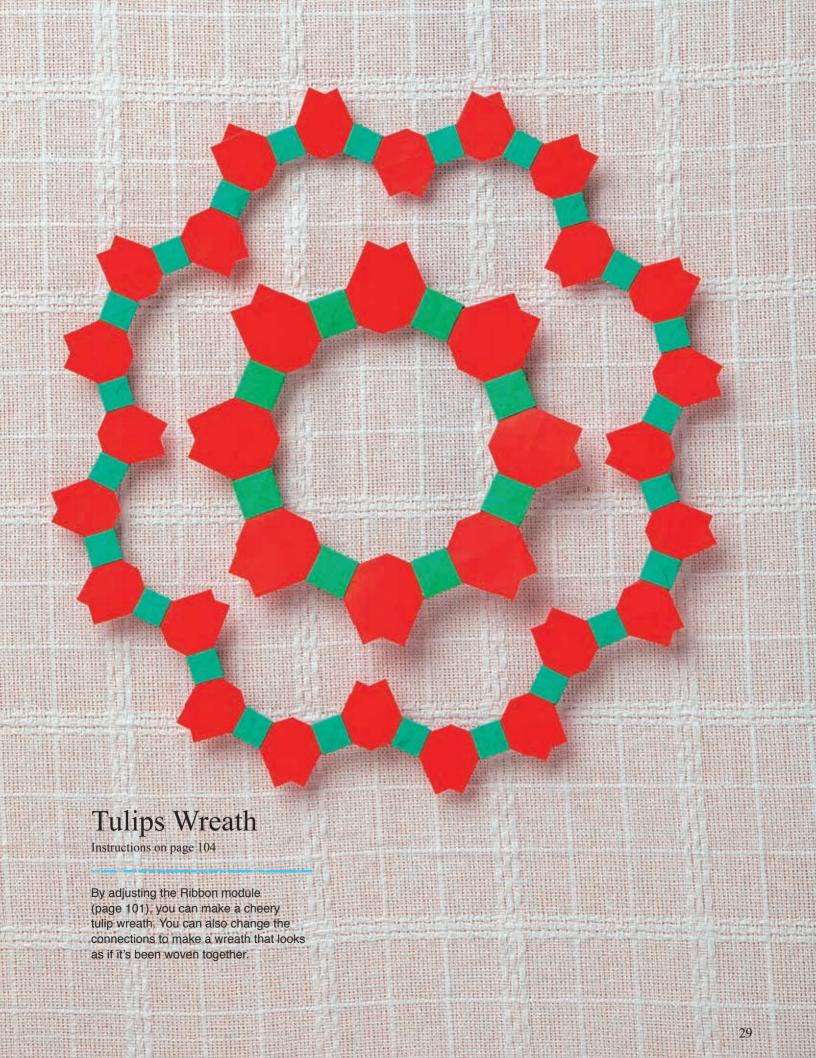
You can almost hear the crunch of fallen leaves when you look at this charming textured wreath that combines the warm and glowing colors of autumn.



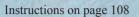




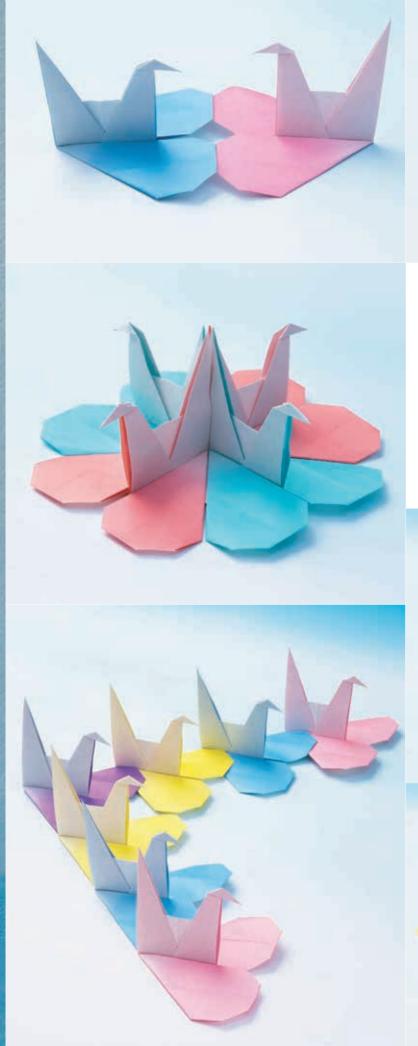




Little Bears Wreath









Hearts and Cranes Centerpiece

Instructions on page 109

You can enjoy combining cranes with the heart-shaped base in various ways.



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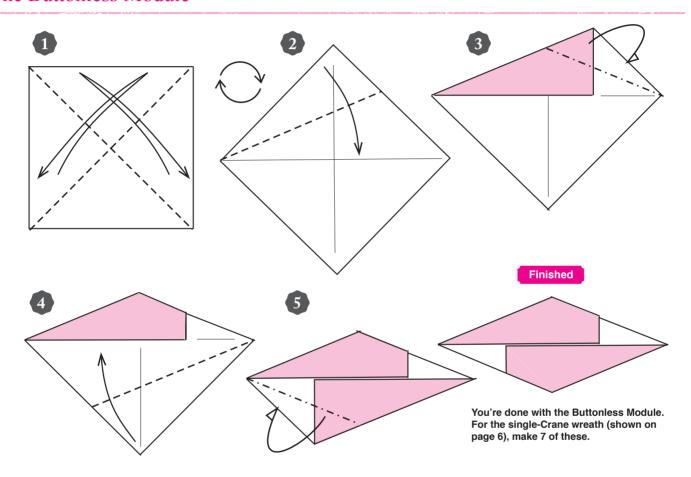


Auspicious Cranes Wreath

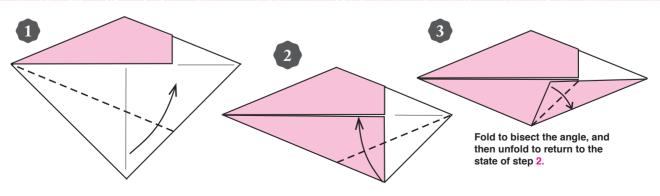
I created a wreath with a flying crane to celebrate the new year. By inserting the "button" part of the wreath into the "buttonhole" of the crane's wing, and you can attach up to 8 cranes. There are 3 different types of modules you can use: Buttonless, Diagonal Button and Vertical Button. You can vary the look of your wreaths by combining these parts in different ways.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 6 in (15 cm).

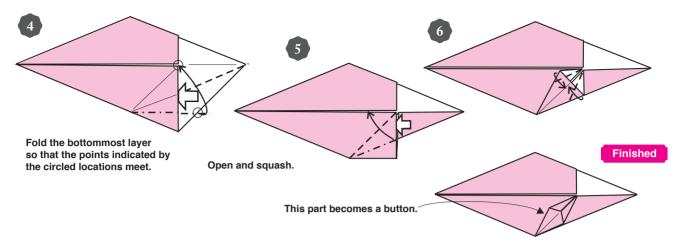
The Buttonless Module



The Diagonal Button Module



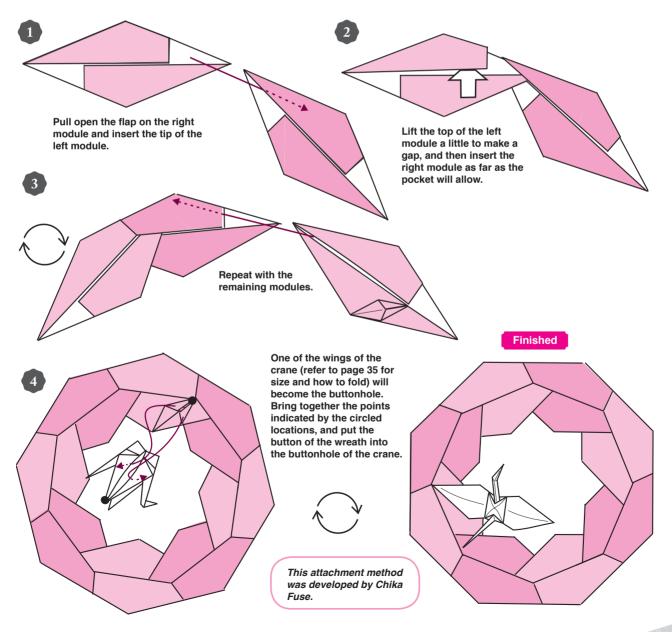
Start from step 3 of the Buttonless Module, above.



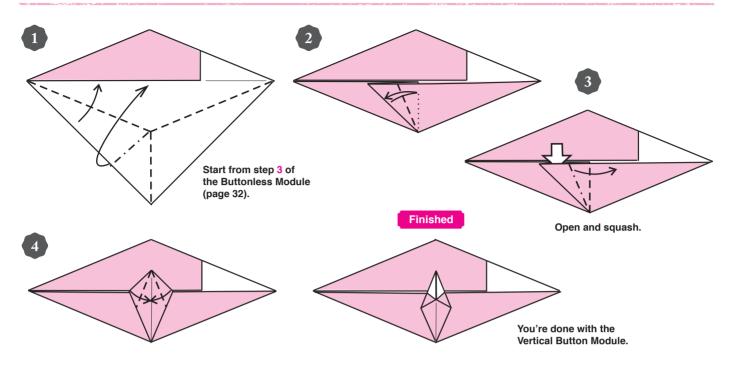
You're done with the Diagonal Button Module. For the single-Crane wreath (shown on page 6), make 1 of these.

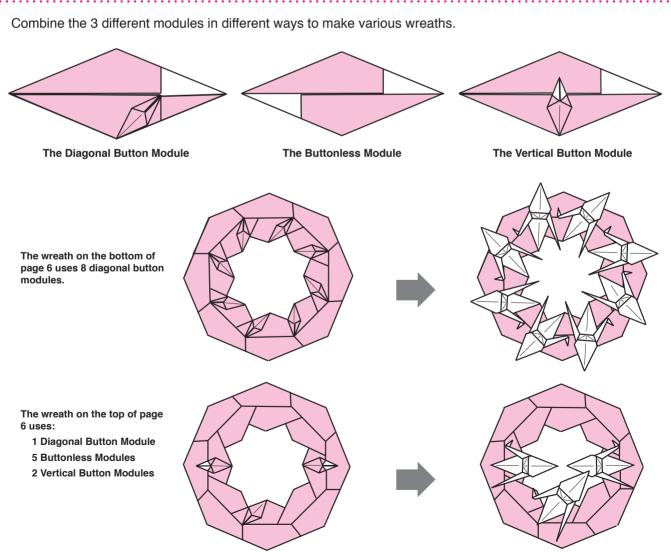
..... How to Assemble the Modules

This is the method for assembling the single-crane wreath shown on page 6. We will use 7 Buttonless Modules, and 1 Diagonal Button Module.



The Vertical Button Module

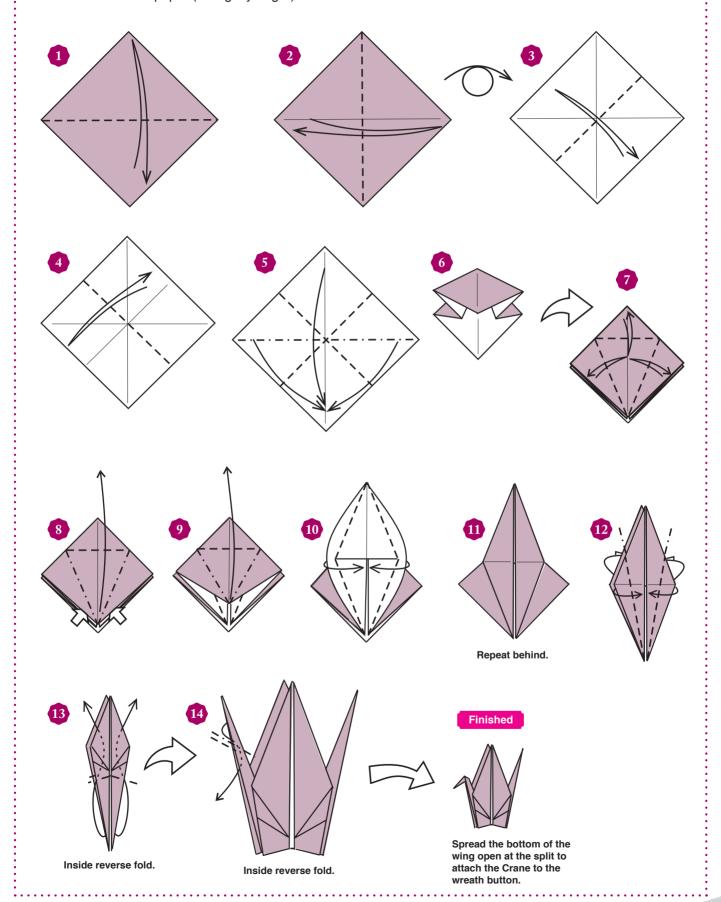


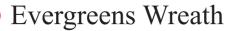


How to Fold a Traditional Crane

This is how to fold the Crane to attach to the button of the wreath.

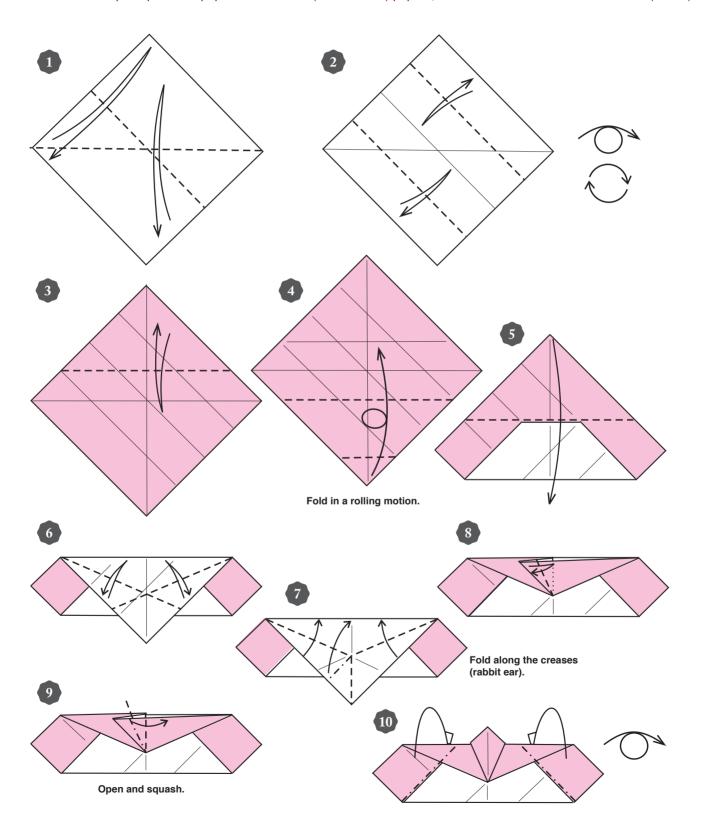
Use the same size paper (or slightly larger) as that used to fold the wreath modules.

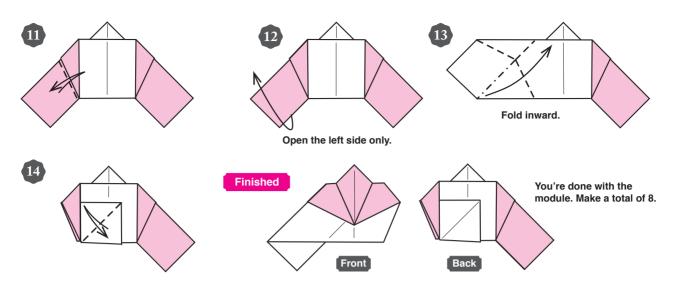




As with the previous Auspicious Cranes Wreath, you can attach cranes to this festive wintertime wreath. We will use the same basic arrangement in the Simple Hina Dolls Wreath (page 46) in March, and the Poinsettias and Christmas Ornaments Wreaths (pages 95 & 98) in December.

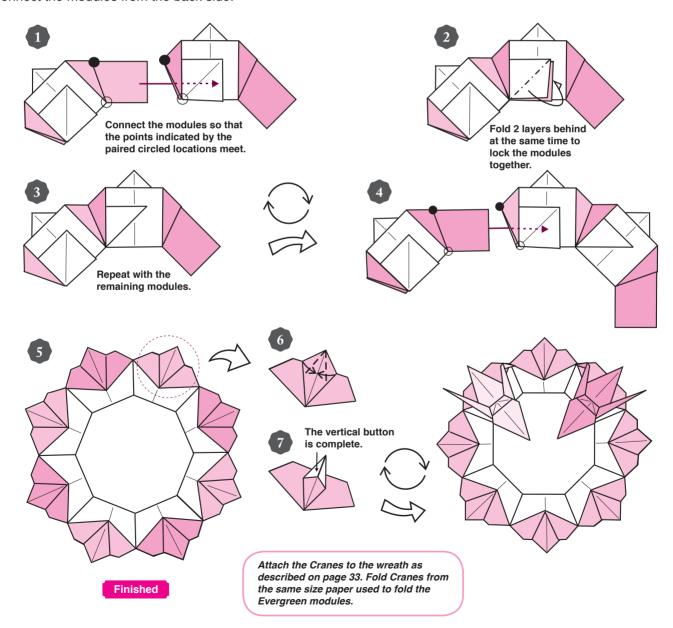
▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 5 in (13 cm).





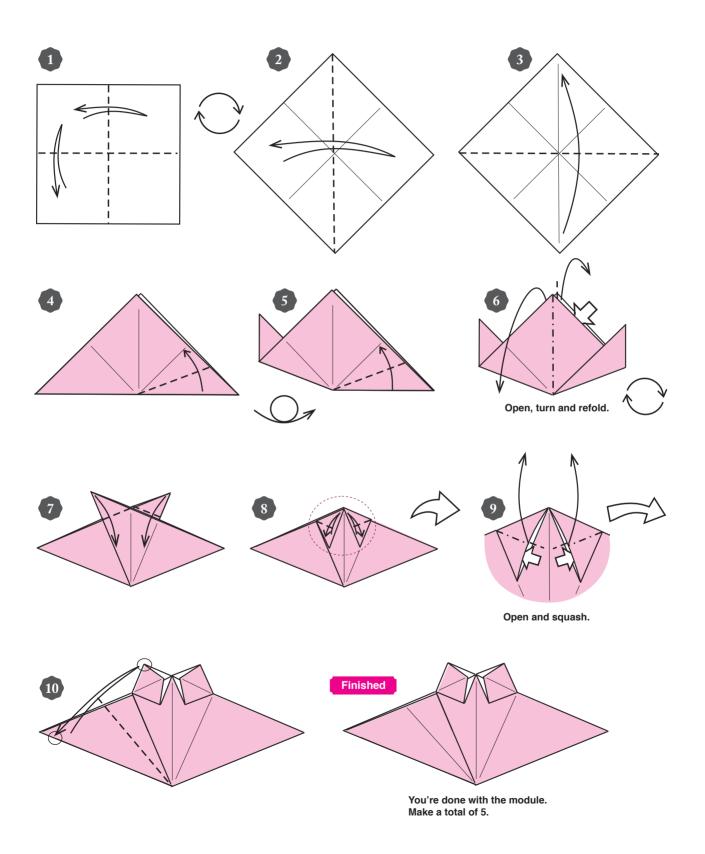
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Connect the modules from the back side.

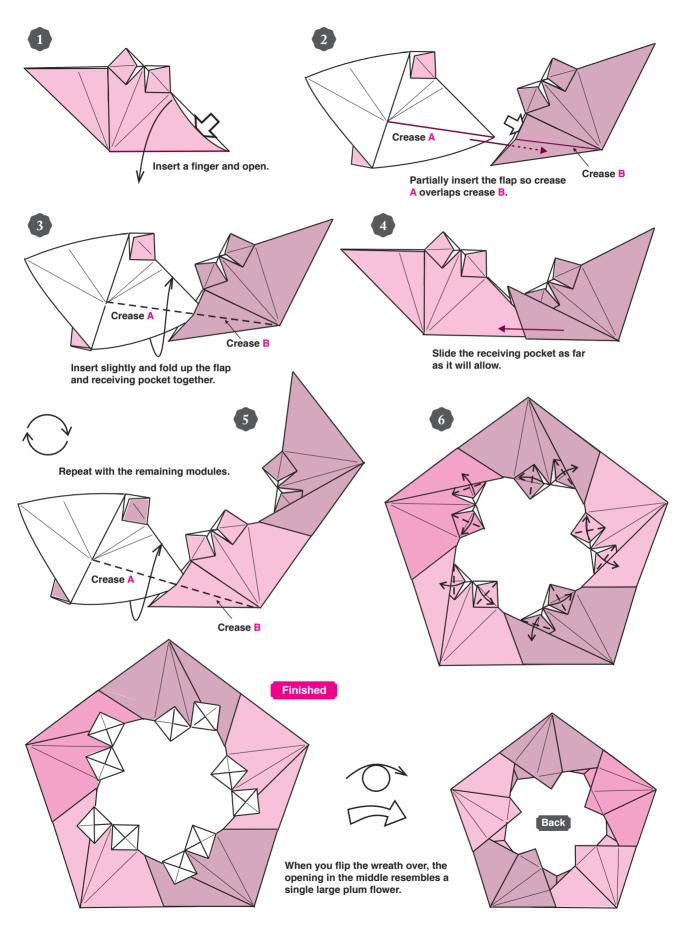


Once, when I found a few plum flowers glimmering in the sun, I was inspired to make a wreath representing a tree trunk knothole ringed with blossoms.

▶ Use 5 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 4.75-in (12 cm).



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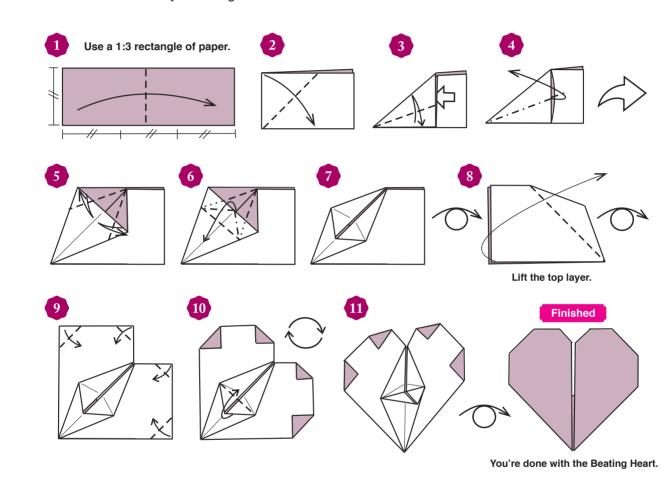
Simple Hearts Wreaths

I learned the Beating Heart model from David Petty in 1993. If you rhythmically part the lobes, which pivot from the bottom, the heart beats and even makes a sound. This wreath doesn't support that function, but the mechanism is used to connect the modules together.

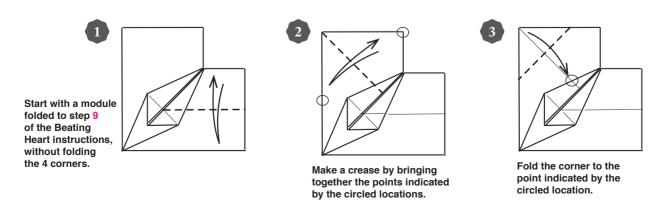
▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 6 in (15 cm).

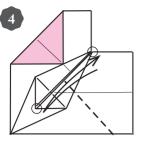
Beating Heart by David Petty

Here's how to fold Mr. Petty's Beating Heart module.

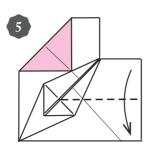


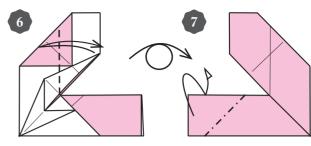
Assemble modified Beating Heart modules into a wreath.



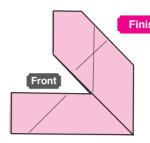


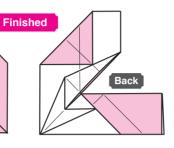
Make a crease by bringing together the points indicated by the circled locations.





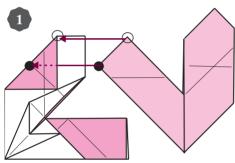
Fold both layers to make a crease.



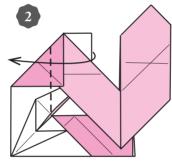


You're done with the module. Make a total of 8.

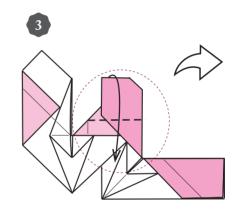
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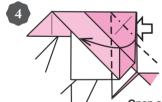


Bring together the points indicated by the circled locations. Insert the flap of the right module into the pocket of the left module.



Flip over the indicated part.



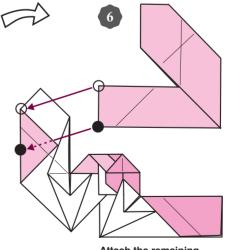


Open and squash.

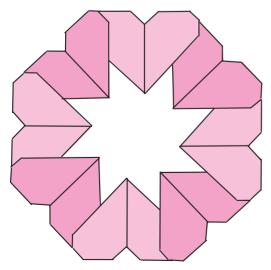


Insert underneath the flap.

Finished



Attach the remaining modules in the same way.



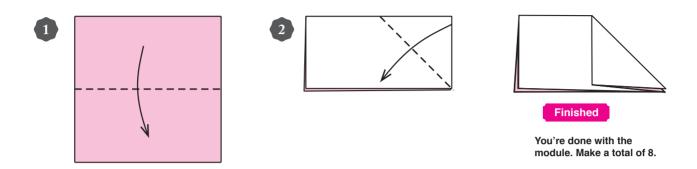
When connecting the first module

to the last, flip it over to the front side. Lift up the right half of the last module, and connect as in step 1.

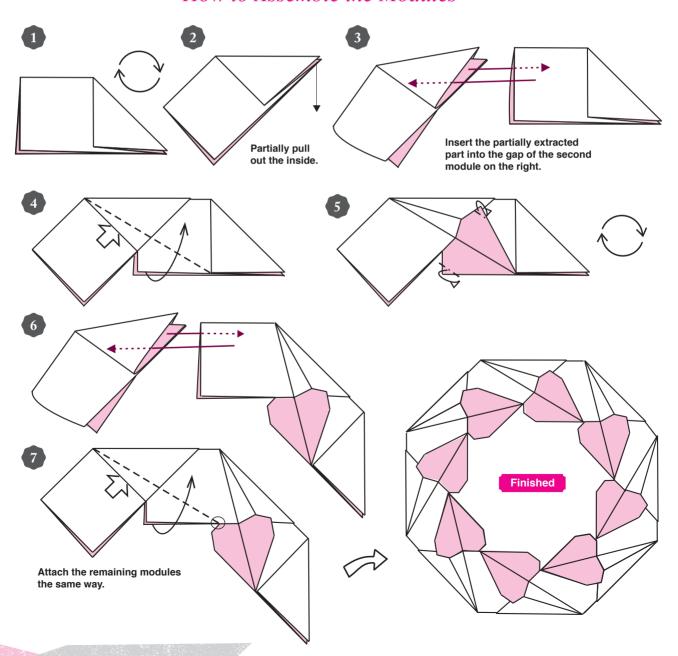


This module can be made in just 2 steps. At first, I designed this as a wreath comprised of leaf modules, but they were modified to display hearts by my friend, Keiko Ritsuto.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 6.75 in (17 cm).



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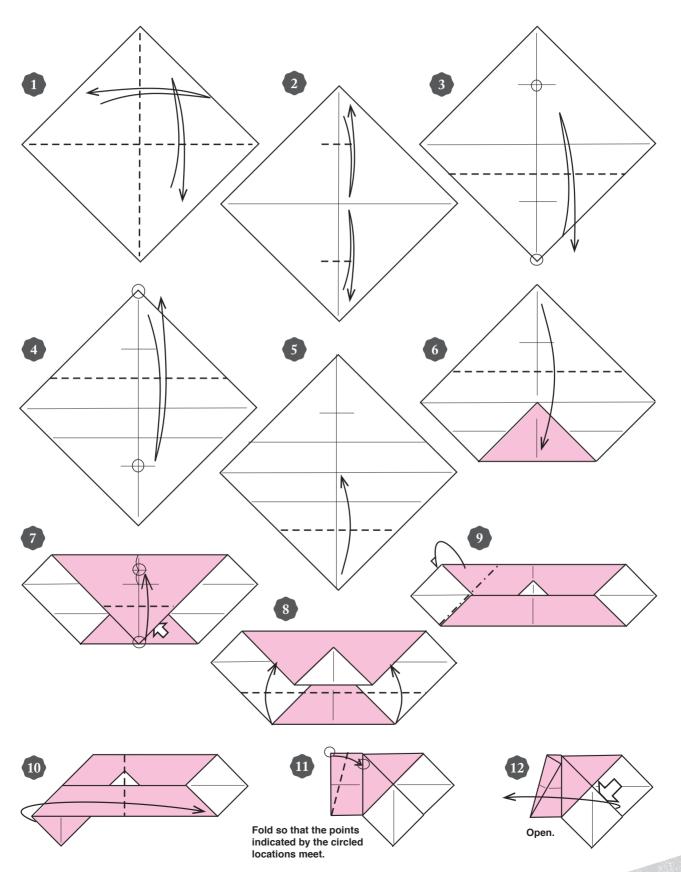


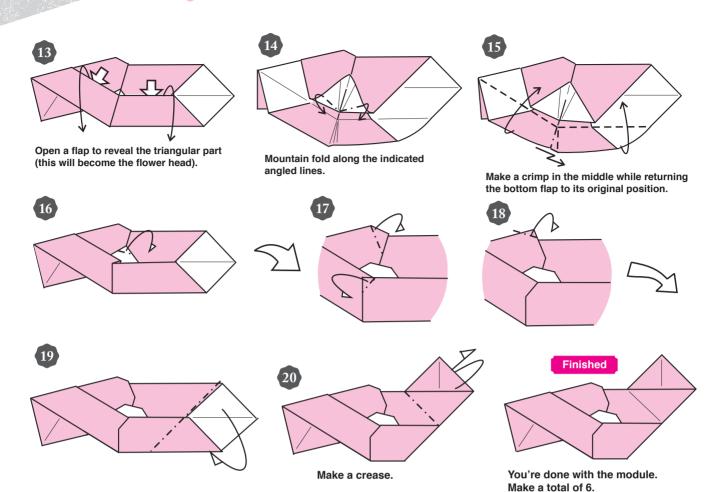


Camellia Flowers Wreath

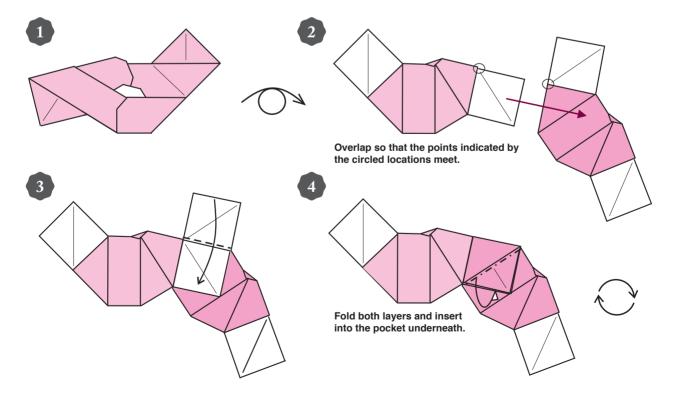
This is a wreath that consists of 6 interconnected flower modules. The module changes into a leaf with just a few additional folds. Using double-sided (duo) paper is recommended.

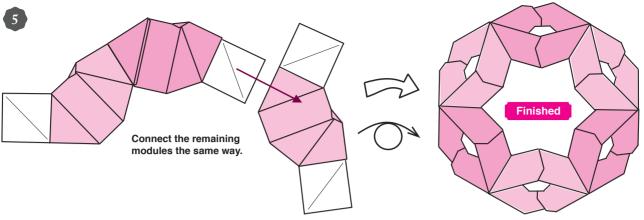
▶ Use 6 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 7.5 in (19 cm).





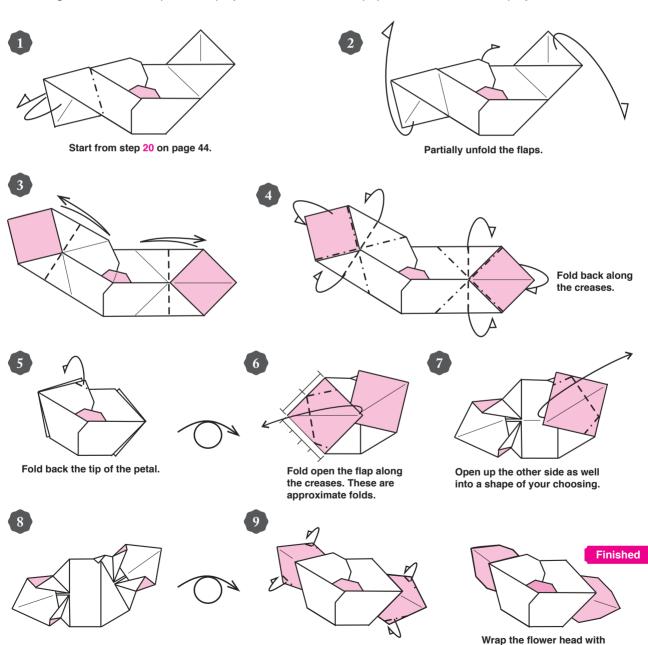
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Camellias with Leaves

In these diagrams, the flower petals display the white side of the paper, and the leaves display the shaded side.



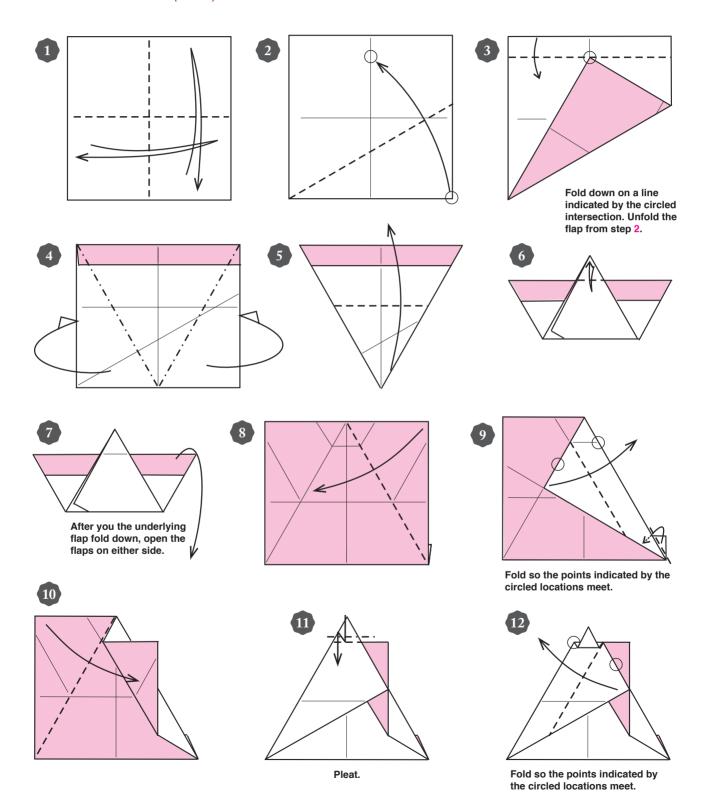
yellow paper, and you're done.

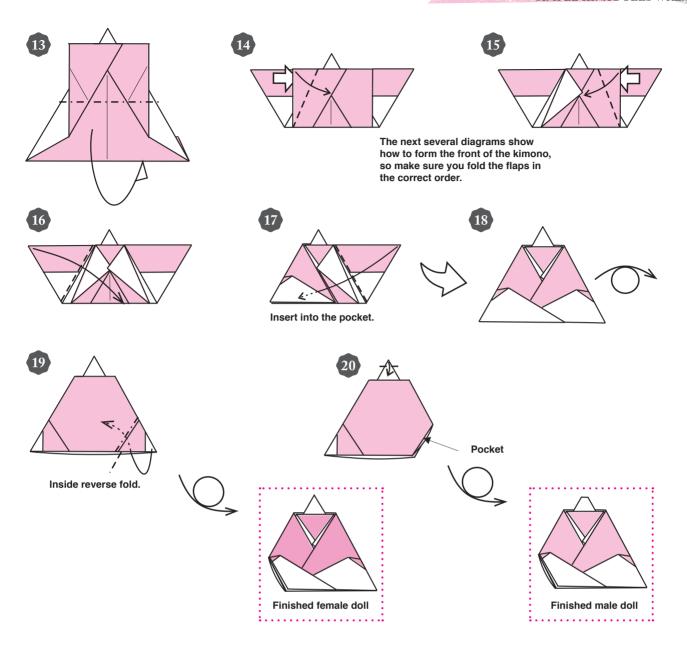


Simple Hina Dolls Wreath

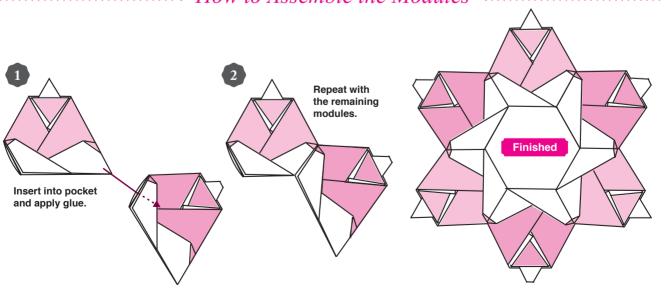
This wreath consists of 3 sets of Hina dolls. You can vary the costumes of each couple to customize your own wreath.

▶ Use 6 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 8.25 in (21 cm).





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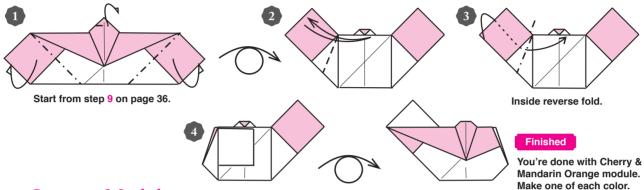
Deluxe Hina Dolls Wreath

We will connect the modules of this wreath the same way as was done on the January's Evergreens Wreath (page 36). It was challenging to vary the look of the different modules, but the result is a beautiful decoration.

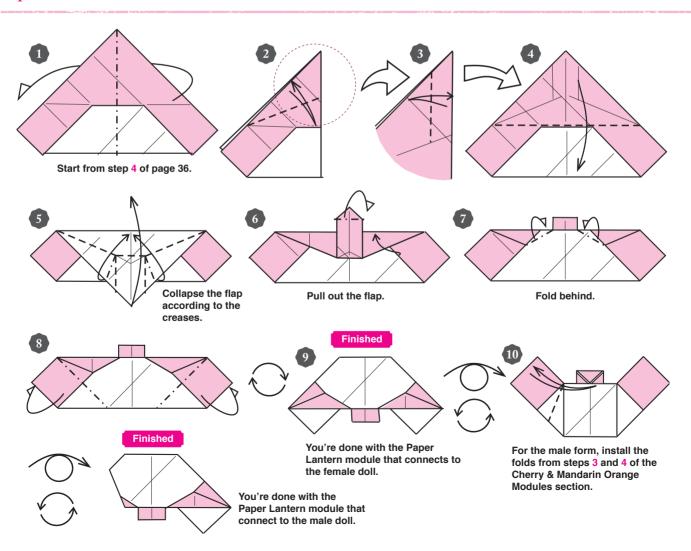
▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 9.5 in (24 cm).

Cherry & Mandarin Orange Module

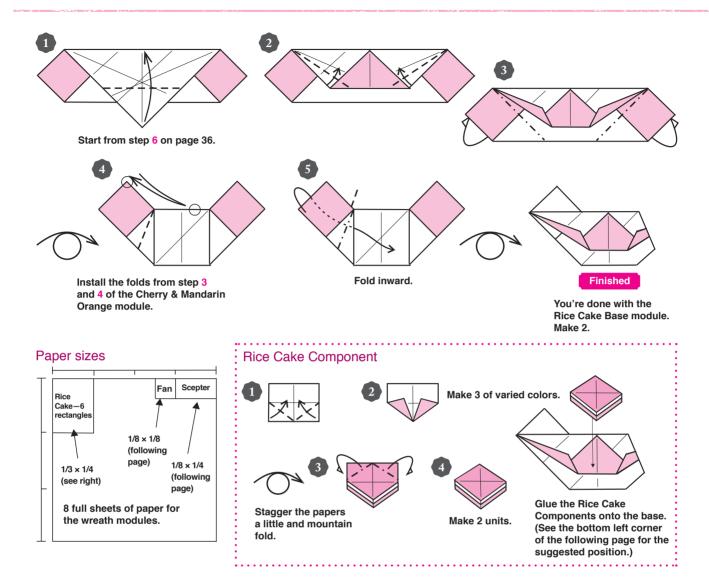
The Cherry module should be pink, and the Mandarin Orange module should be green or gold. The modules are identical. Make one of each color.



Paper Lantern Module

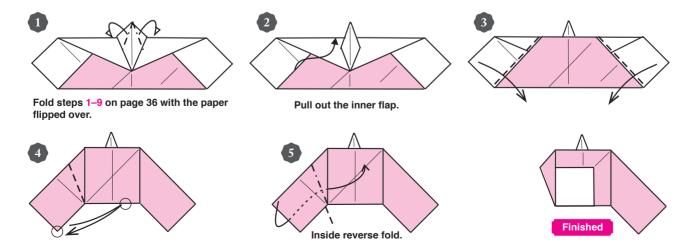


Rice Cake Module

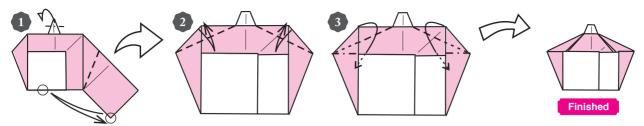


Male & Female Hina Doll Modules

Male Hina Doll



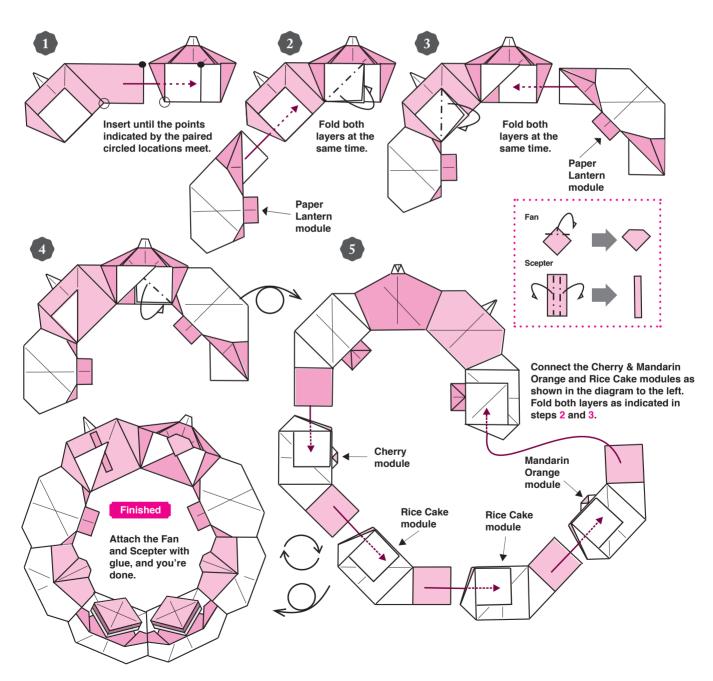
Female Hina Doll



Start with a completed Male Hina doll module. Inside reverse fold the right flap to create the second sleeve. Tuck it inside the first sleeve.

How to Assemble the Modules

Connect everything other than the Hina dolls and Paper Lantern modules with the back side facing up.





Cherry Blossoms Wreath

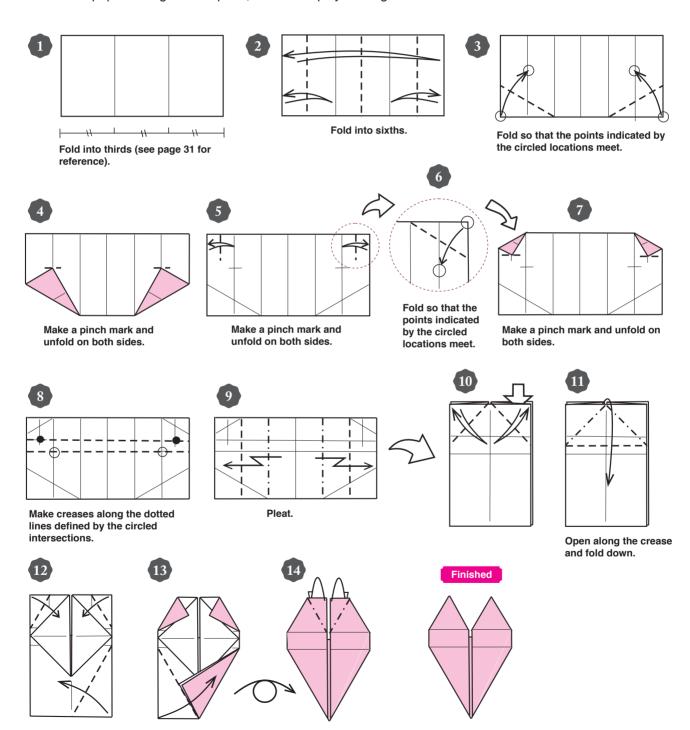
I made a wreath by connecting the petals of cherry blossoms. You can save time by making a template for step 1.

With 6 x 3-in (15 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 6 in (15 cm) for the 6-part wreath, and 5.5 in (14 cm) for the 5-part wreath.

6-Part Wreath

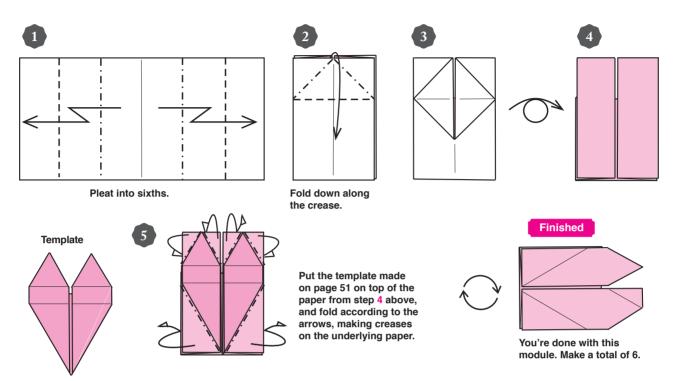
Make the template

We will use 1:2 paper. Using this template, we will simplify making the modules for this wreath.

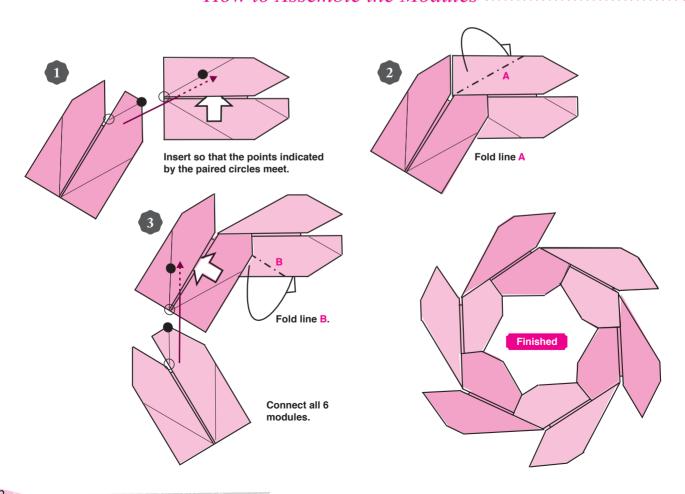


Cherry Blossom Petals

...... How to Make the 6-Part Wreath Modules

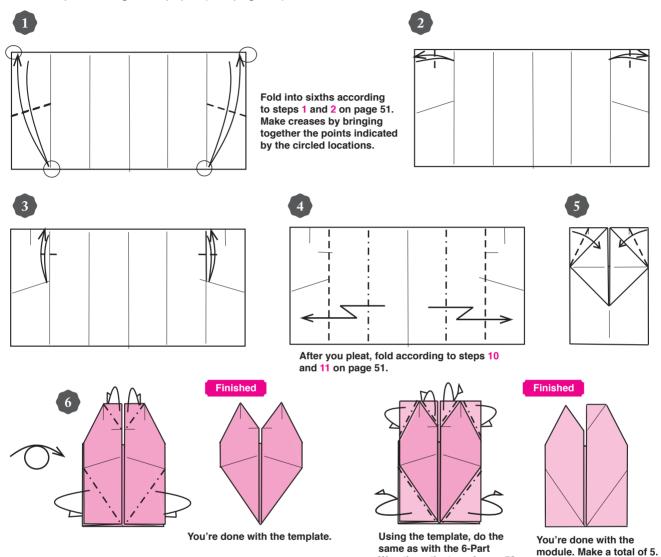


..... How to Assemble the Modules



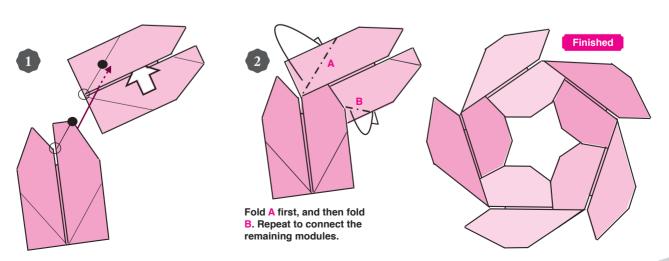
How to Make the 5-Part Wreath

Make the template using a 1:2 paper (see page 51), and use that to make the rest of the modules.



How to Connect the 5 Part Wreath

Wreath on the top of page 52.



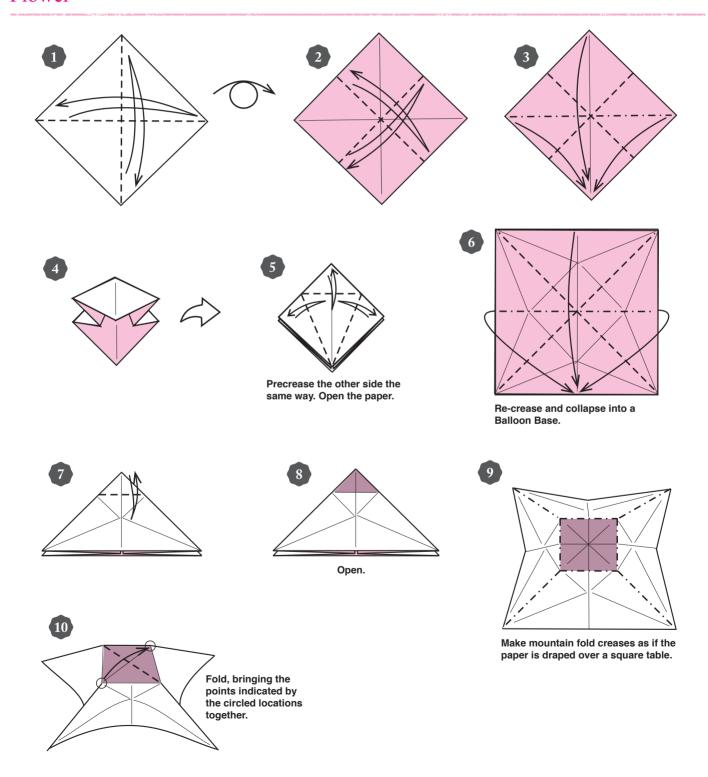


Flower Bouquet Wreath

This is a wreath that can be used regardless of the season. The leaves and flowers are both made from the same size of paper. The combination of lots of small flowers gives this wreath a three-dimensional look. You can leave the pretty flower module just as it is, or turn them into an 8-part wreath. The modules can be connected in various ways, so the possibilities are endless.

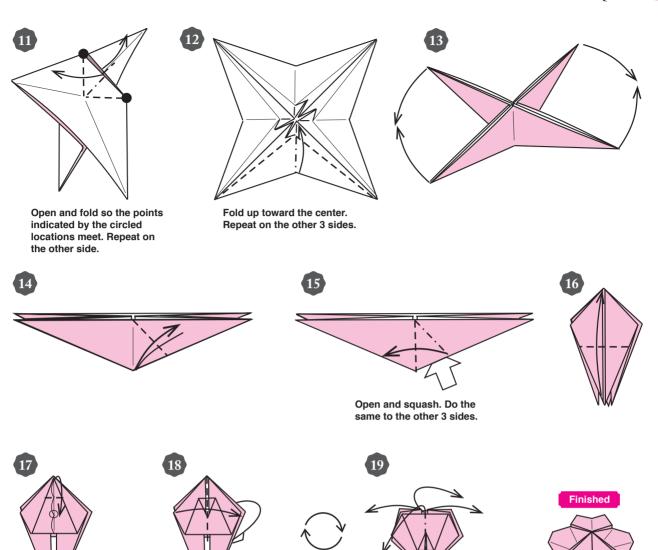
▶ Prepare square paper for the flowers and leaves, 8 pieces each. Using 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) paper, you get a wreath that's 12.5 in (32 cm) in diameter.

Flower



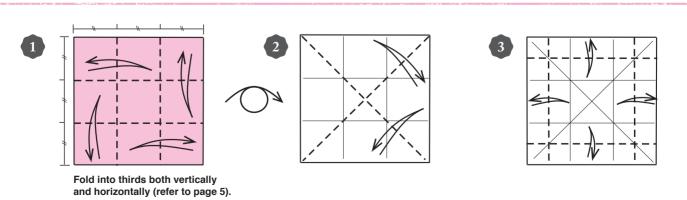
You're done with the flower

module. Make a total of 8.



Leaves

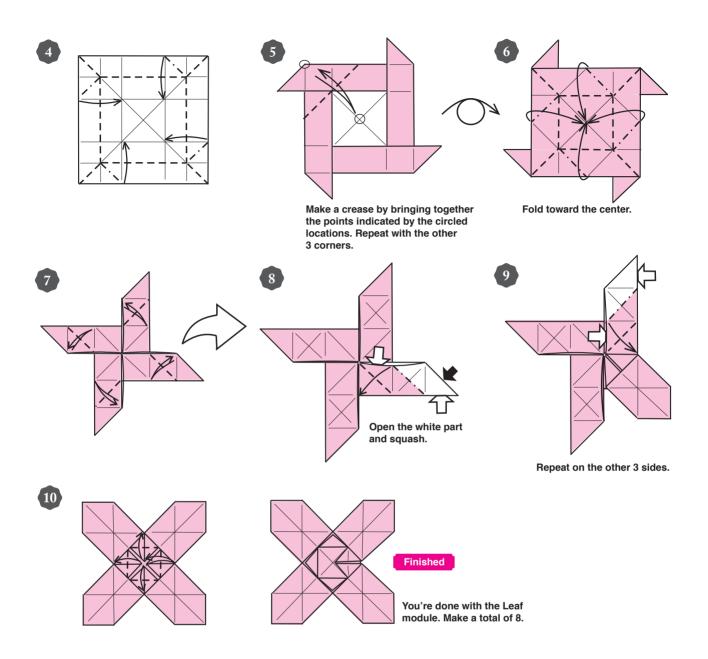
Fold down at 1/3 of the distance from the tip of the flap.



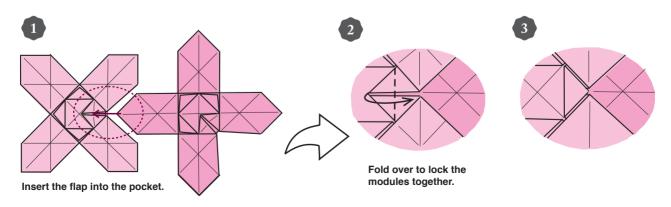
Turn the flap as if you're flipping pages of a book and repeat steps

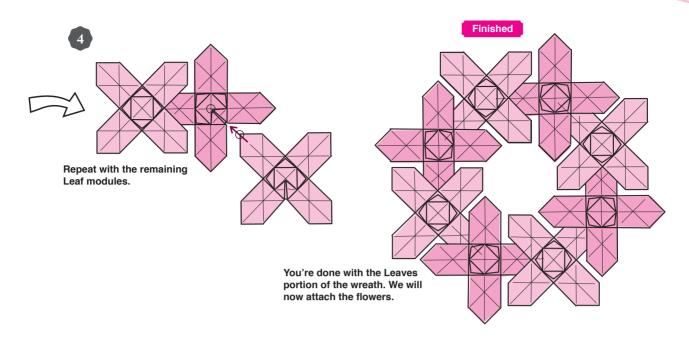
16 and 17 on the other 3 sides.

Open in 4 directions.

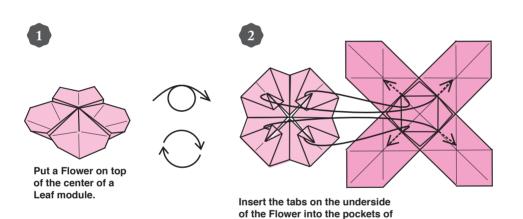


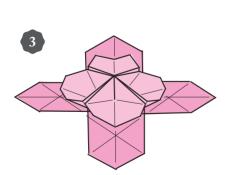
How to Connect the Leaves



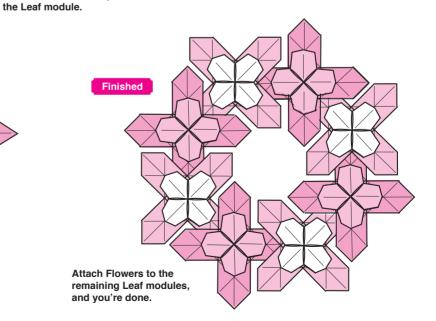


How to Attach the Flowers to the Leaves



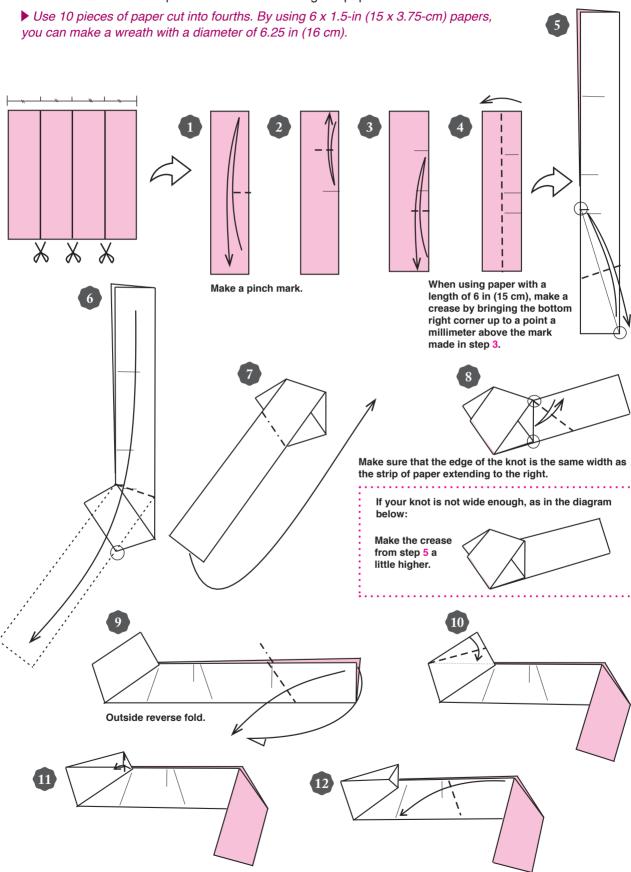


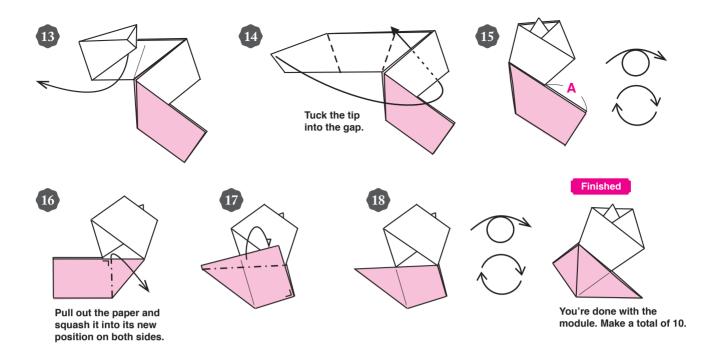
You're done mounting the Flower to the Leaf module.



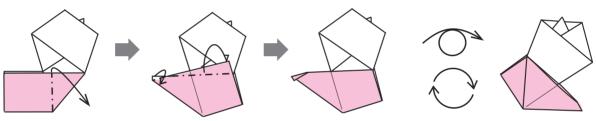


The casual chiyo knot is used to tie bags closed. With a little adjustment, you can use a knot to make a tulip wreath with thin rectangular papers.

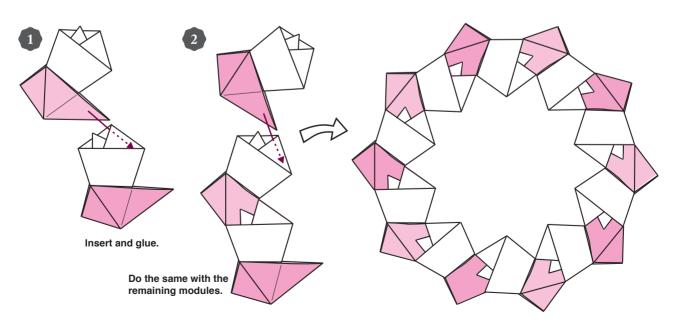




If distance (A) of step 15 is a little too short, fold according to the diagrams below. The method of attachment will be the same.



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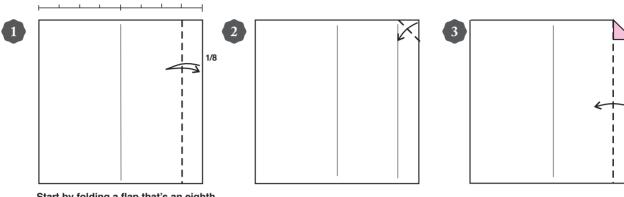


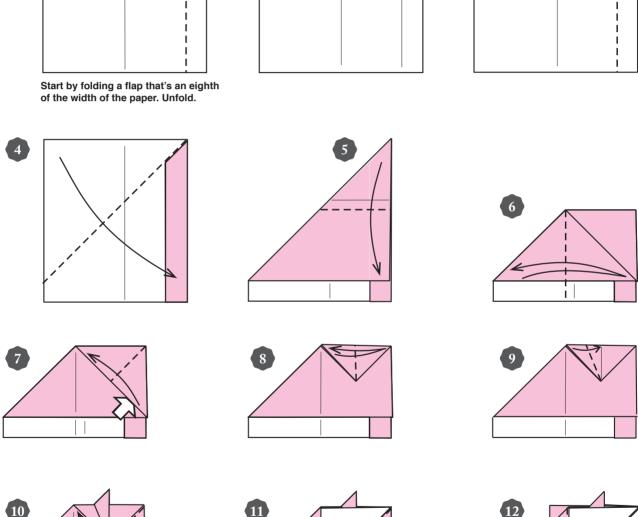


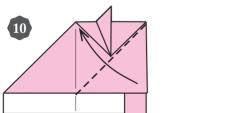
Samurai Helmets Wreath

I've come up with a wreath using the traditional Samurai Helmet model. I present two different types. Both are easy to fold and assemble.

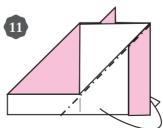
▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 8.25 in (21 cm).

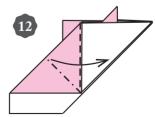


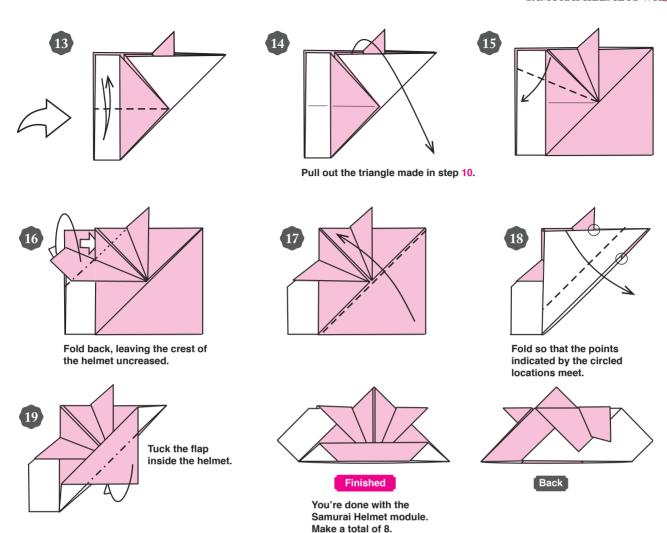




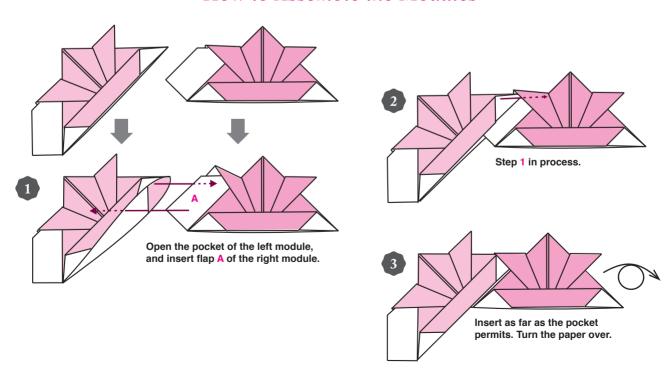
Only fold the upper layer.

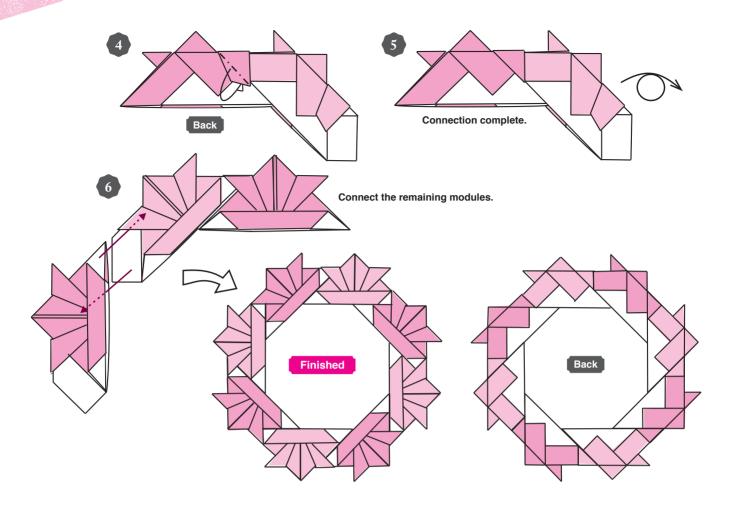






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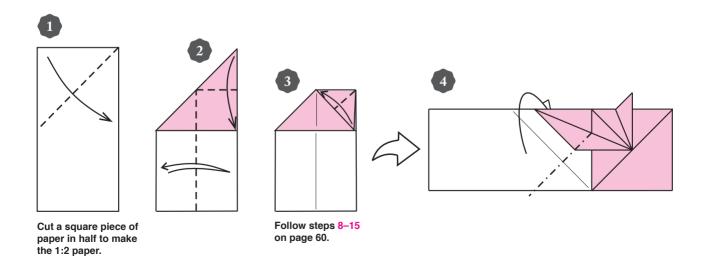


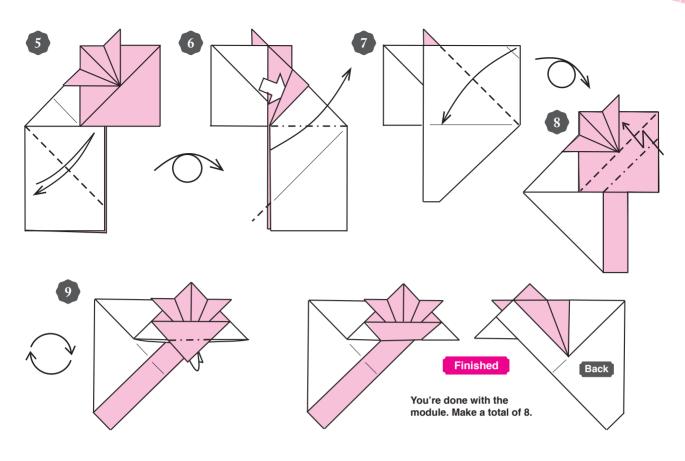


Variations

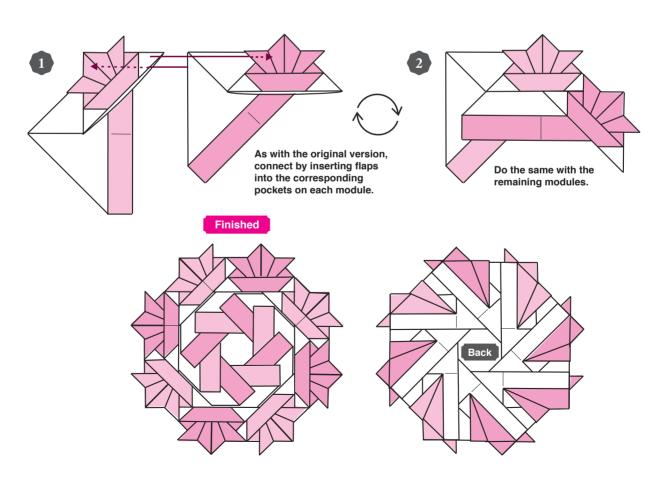
This is the wreath from the bottom of page 14. Narrowing the paper width and making it with 1:2 paper will make the wreath smaller, and leave a much smaller gap in the middle. Play around with the width of the paper and have fun making different wreaths.

▶ Use 8 pieces of 1:2 paper. Using 6 x 3-in (15 x 7.5-cm) paper, the diameter of the wreath will be 4.75 in (12 cm).





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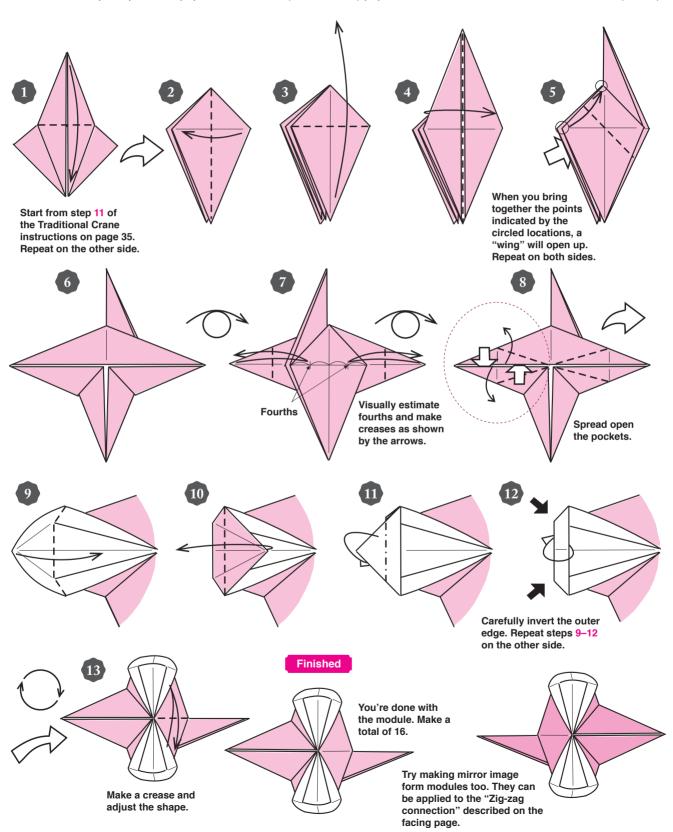




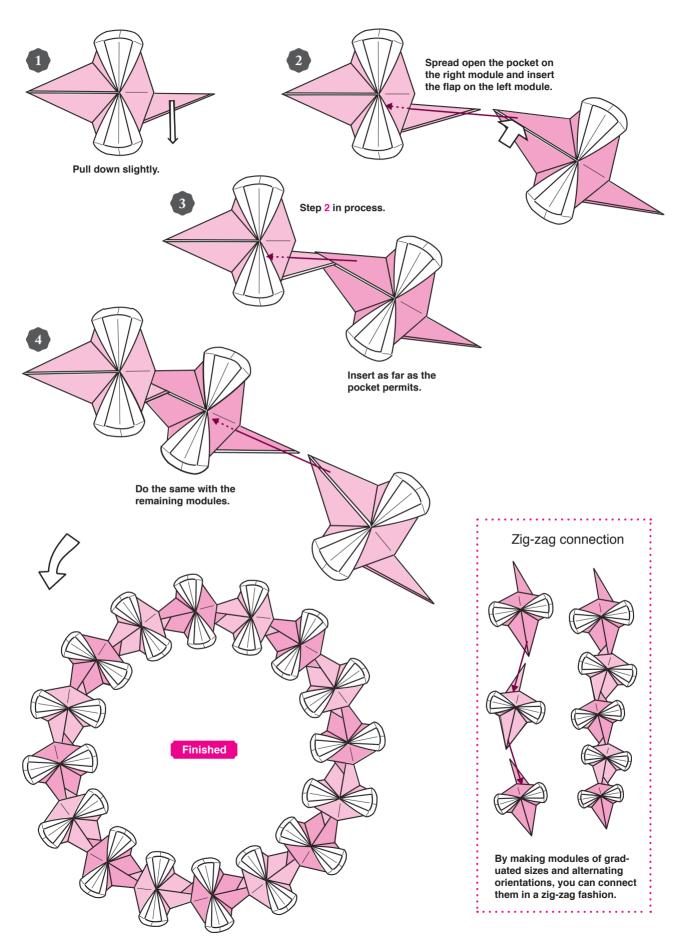
Wisteria Vine Wreath

These modules are made by adapting the standard Traditional Crane. It's a little challenging to invert the paper when folding the petals, but you'll get it. The paper used in the photo on page 15 is green on the front and pink on the back, but if you use green kami paper, you will get white flowers.

▶ Use 16 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 9.5 in (24 cm).



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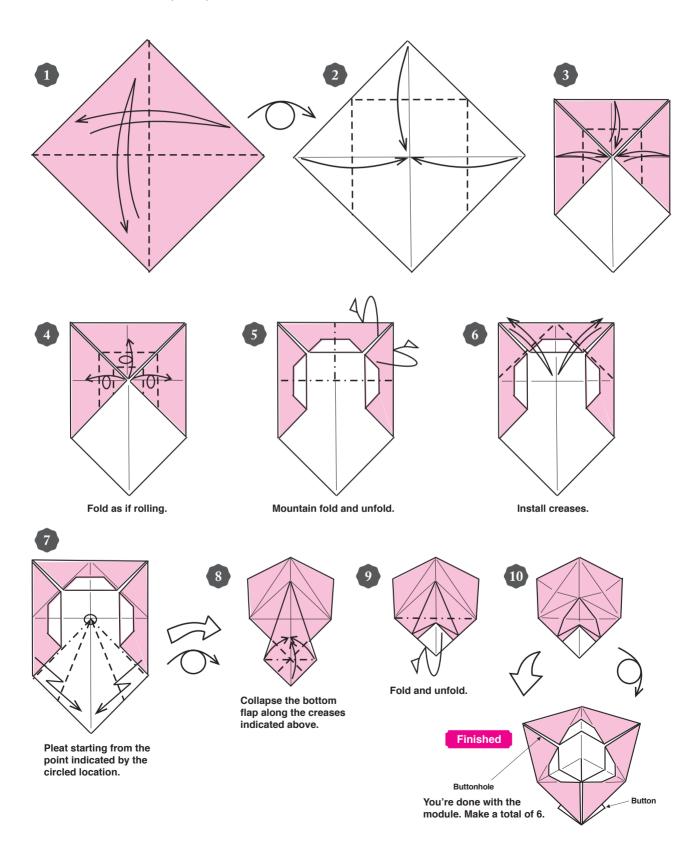




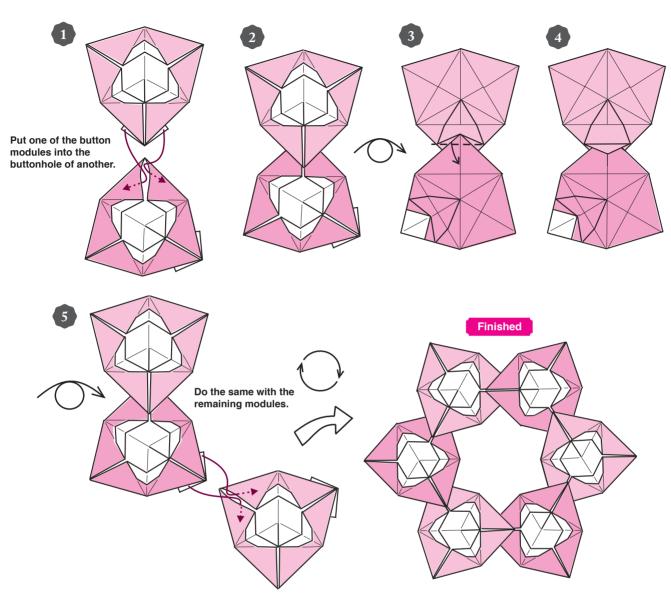
Simple Roses Wreath

If you use double-sided "duo" paper to make this is 6-part wreath, you will end up with very colorful blossoms. These modules can also be used for the Triangular Rose (facing page).

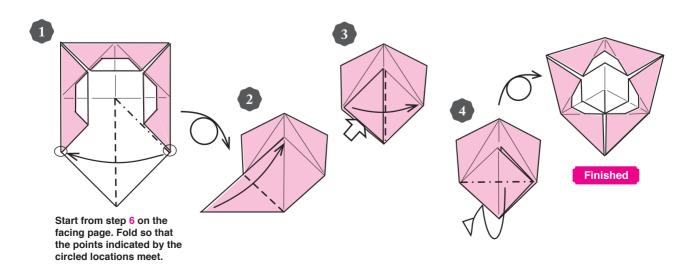
▶ Use 6 square pieces of paper. With 3×3 -in $(7.5 \times 7.5$ -cm) papers the diameter of the wreath will be 6 in (15 cm).



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Triangular Rose

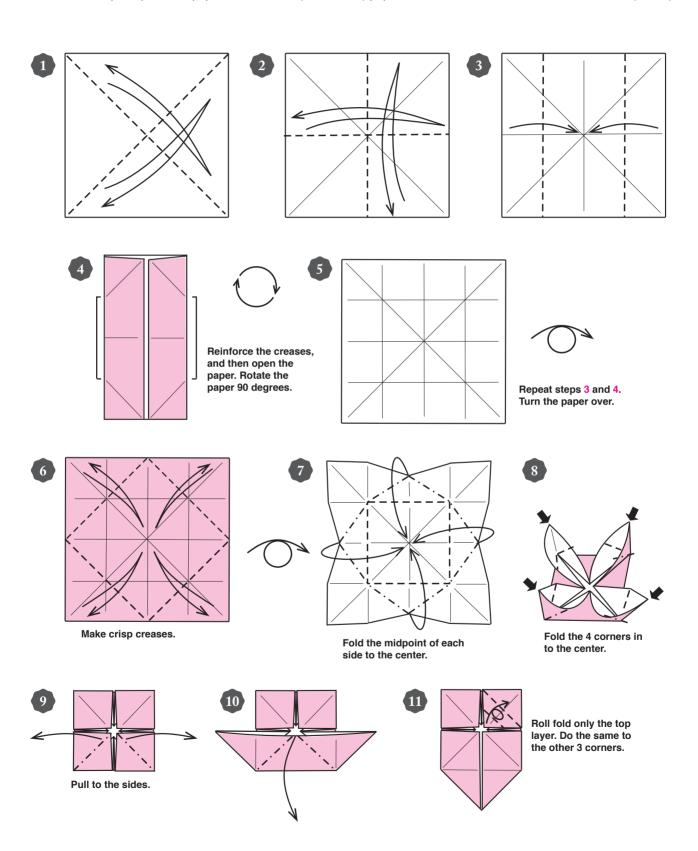


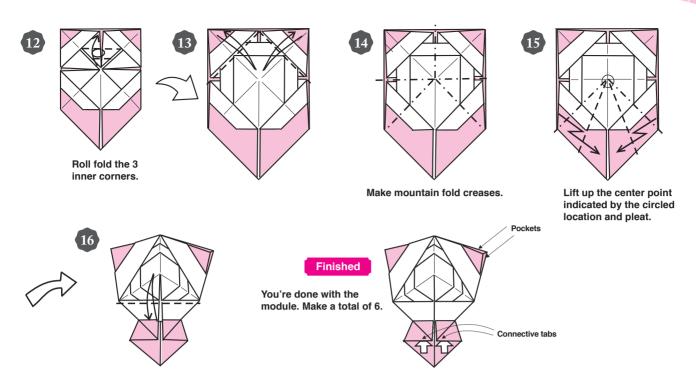


Small Fancy Roses Wreath

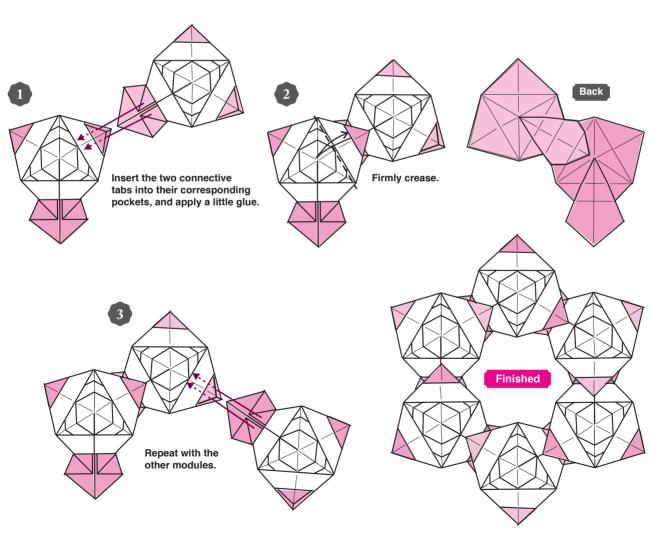
This is a 6-part wreath, like the Simple Roses Wreath. It looks similar at first glance, but these flowers are a bit fancier. This module can be used to make a 12-part wreath with some adjustments (see the next project).

▶ Use 6 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 8.25 in (21 cm).





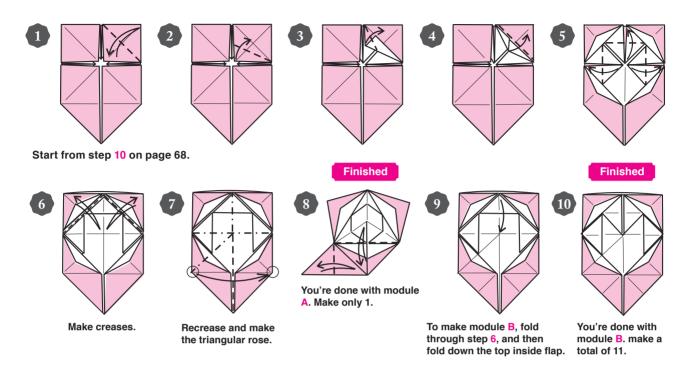
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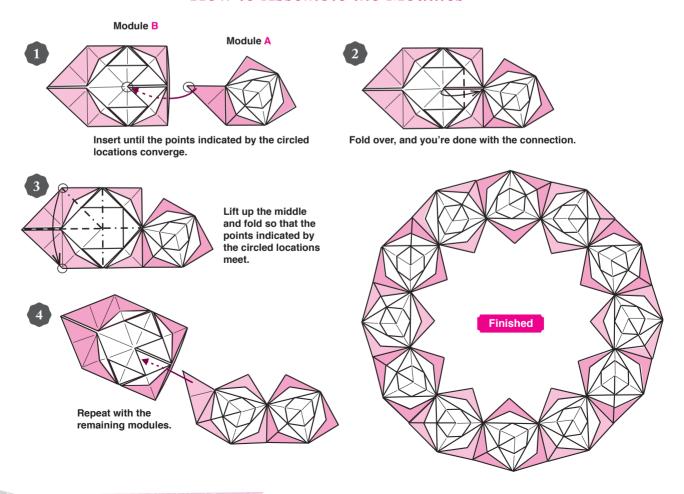


If you change the connective tabs of the 6-part wreath (see previous project), you can make a 12-part wreath.

▶ Use 12 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 11.75 in (30 cm).



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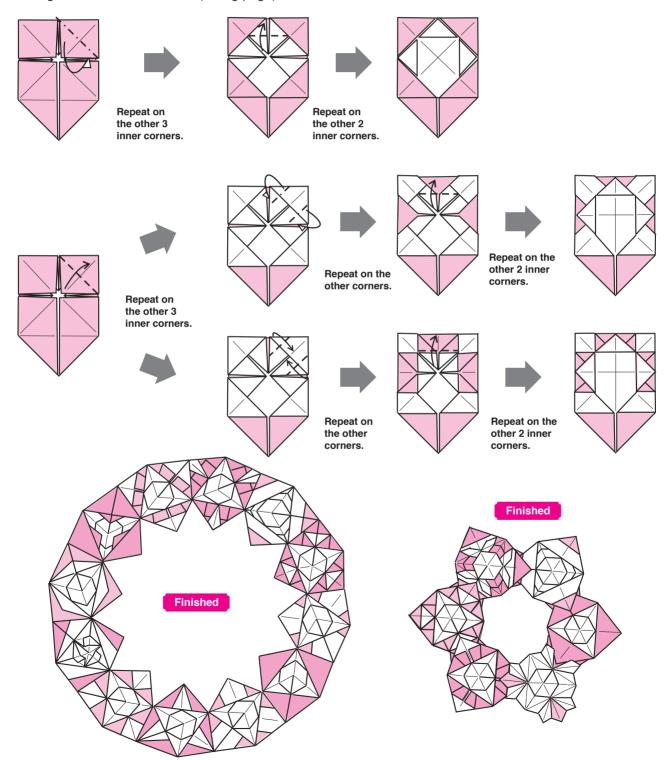
Froebel Patterns Wreath

Both the 6- and 12-part Deluxe Roses Wreaths start from the base shown to the right (fold through step 10 on page 68). From this fold forward, you can make patterns other than roses, and you will be able to make impressive wreaths. Experiment with different patterns and make your own variation.

▶ Use 12 square pieces of paper. With 6 \times 6-in (15 \times 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 11.75 in (30 cm).

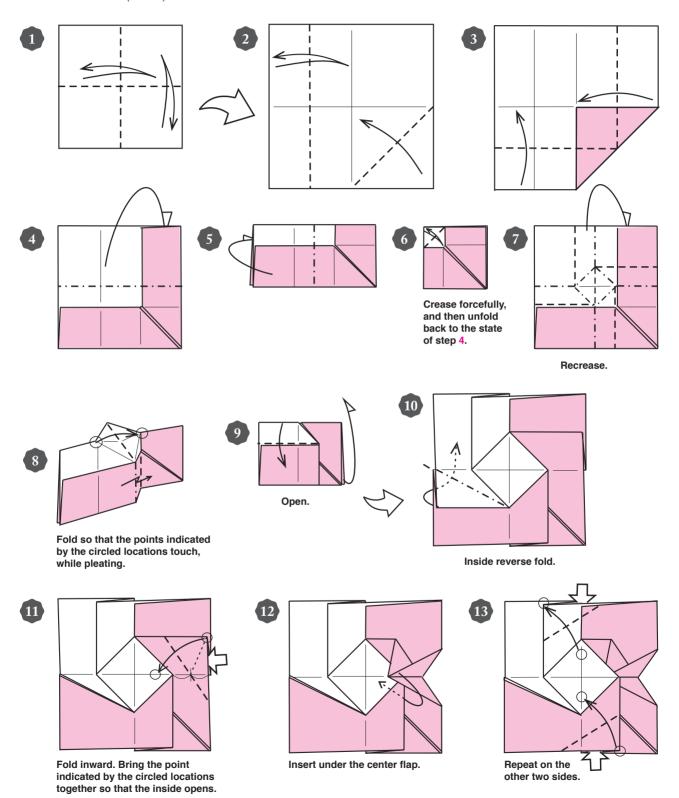


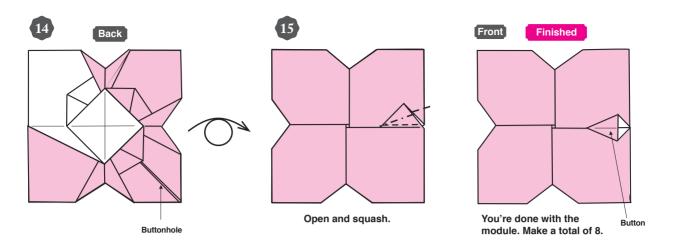
The following are examples of various patterned modules. The connection method is the same as for the Large Deluxe Roses Wreath (facing page).



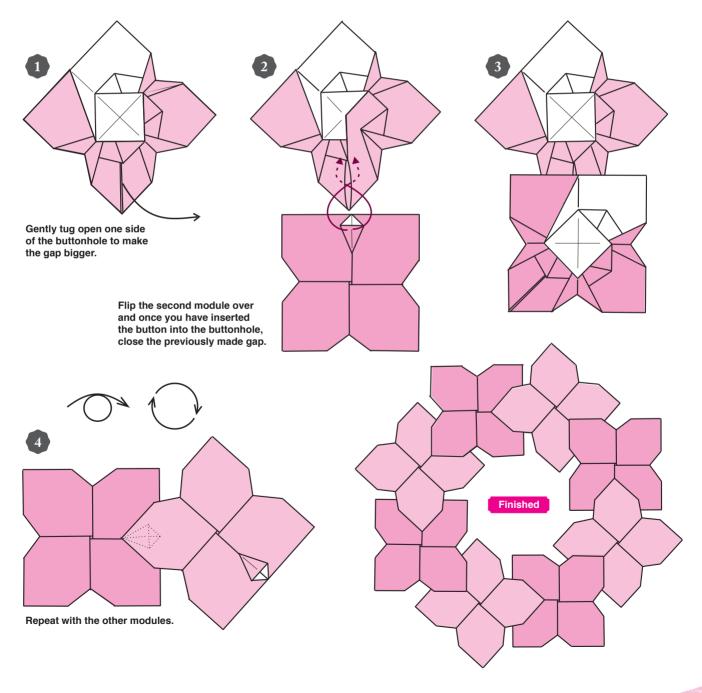
Hydrangeas are beautiful summer flowers. This project uses button modules and buttonhole modules, similar to those of the Auspicious Cranes Wreath on page 32.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 \times 6-in (15 \times 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 10.5 in (27 cm).





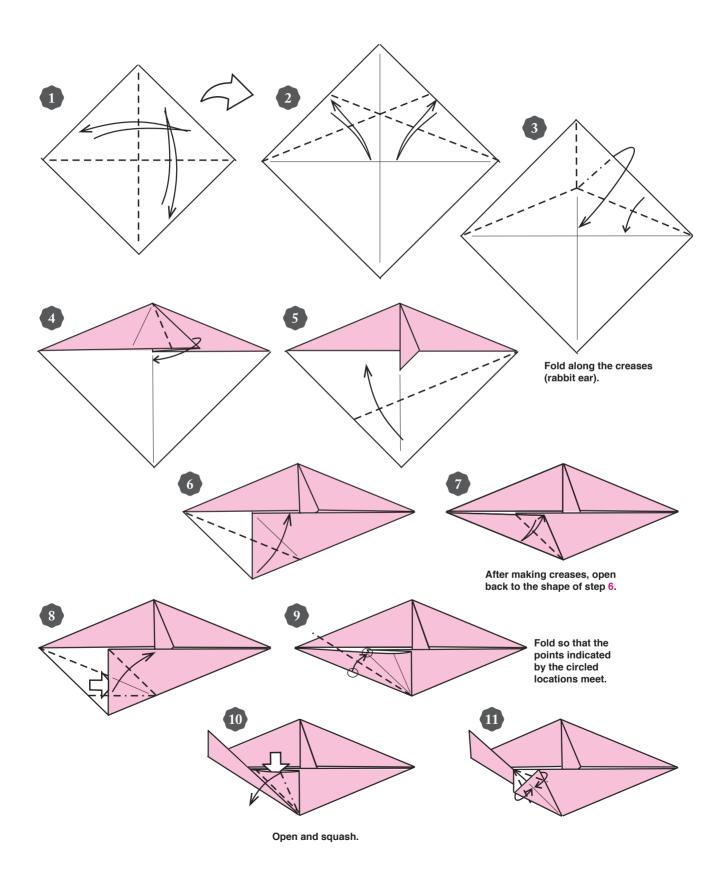
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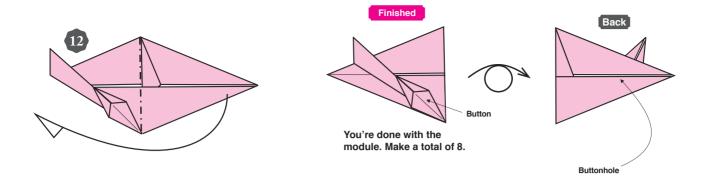




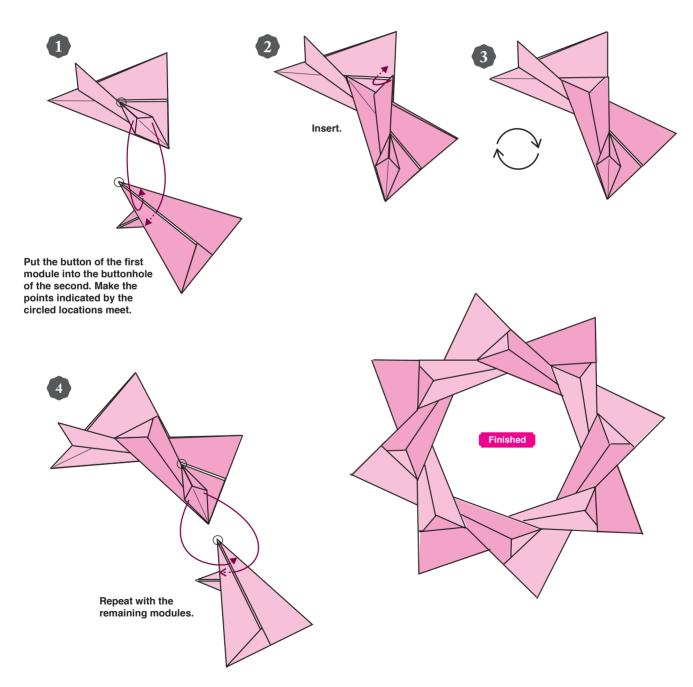
This wreath calls for eight shooting stars to be assembled together to make one large octagonal star.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers the diameter of the wreath will be 11 in (28 cm).





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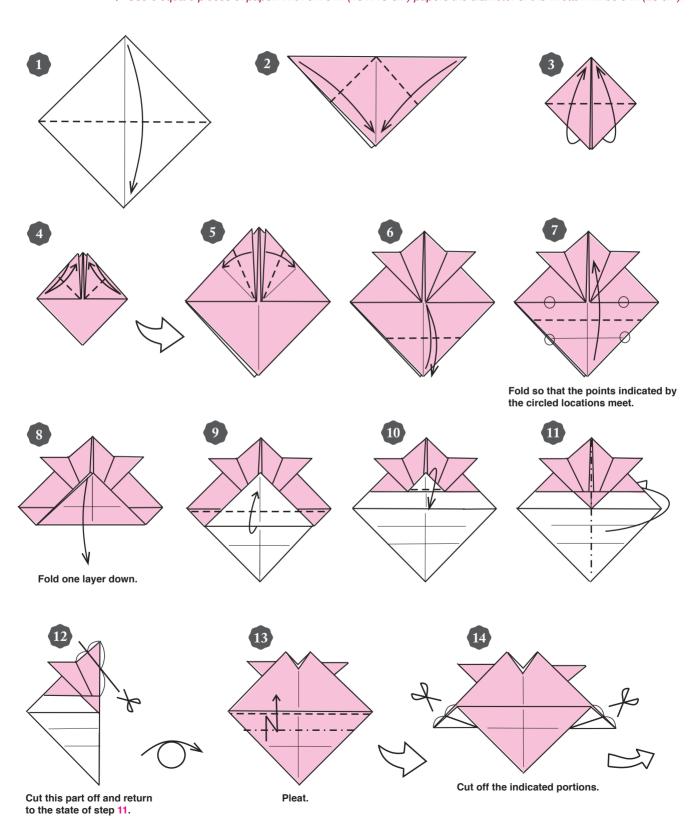


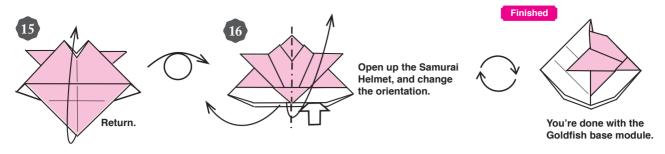


School of Goldfish Wreath

You can make traditional goldfish from the Samurai Helmet model. Depending on the way you fold the tail fin, you can vary the number of connected pieces. I show you how to make a 6-part wreath and a linear configuration below.

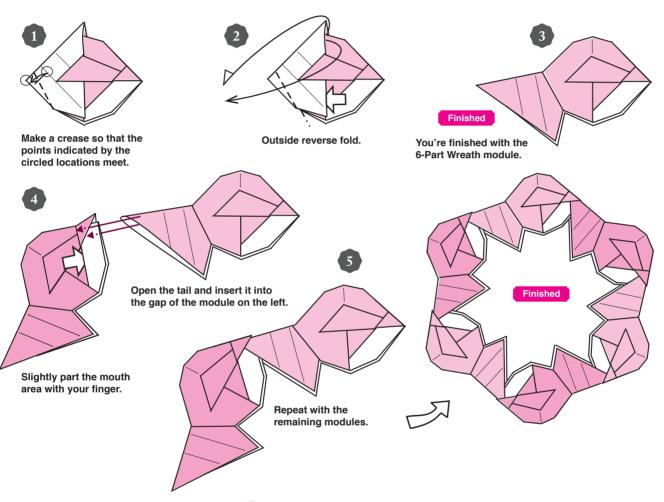
▶ Use 6 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers the diameter of the wreath will be 9 in (23 cm).





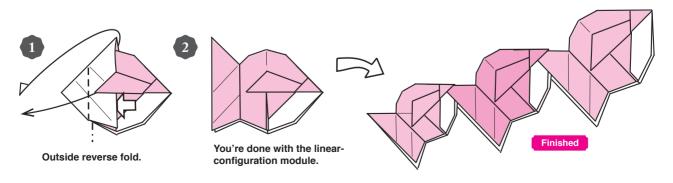
6-Part Wreath

Make a 6-Part Wreath from the Goldfish base module.



······Linear Configuration ······

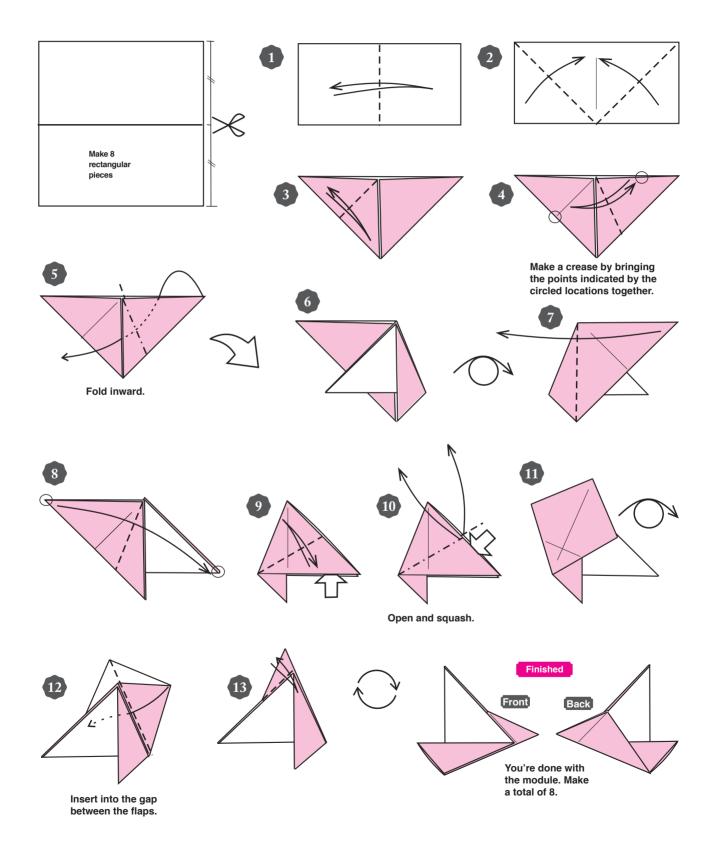
Make a linear configuration using progressively smaller Goldfish base modules connected together.

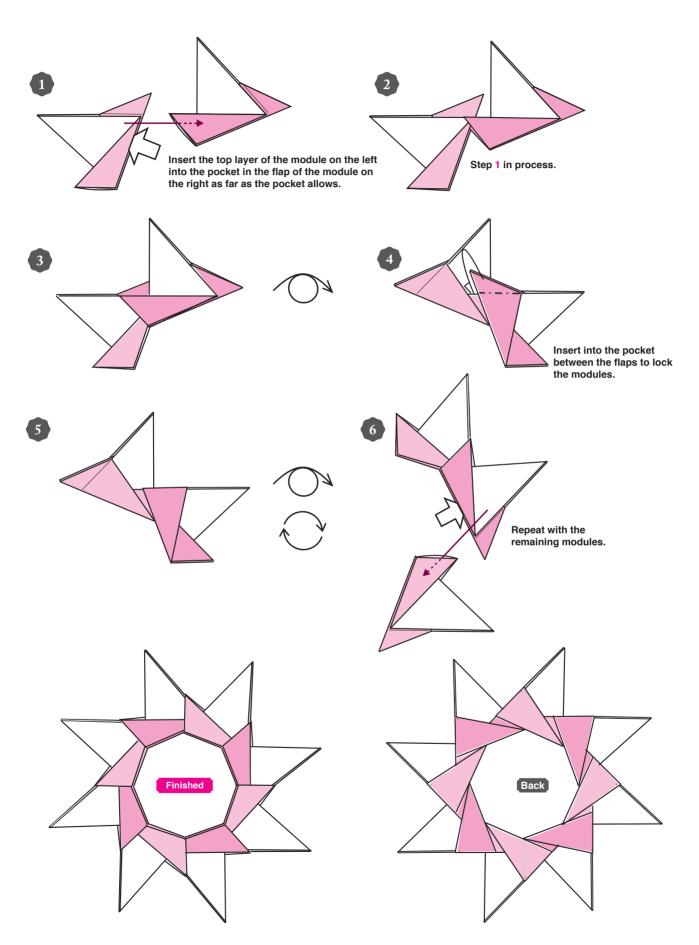




This origami module reflects a classic summertime theme. The resulting circular regatta sports an attractive reverse side that evokes thoughts of golden summer sunshine.

▶ Use 8 rectangular pieces of 1:2 paper. With 6 x 3-in (15 x 7.5-cm) papers the diameter of the wreath will be 8.5 in (22 cm).





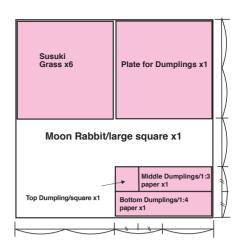
September

Moonlight Party Wreath

Photo on page 21

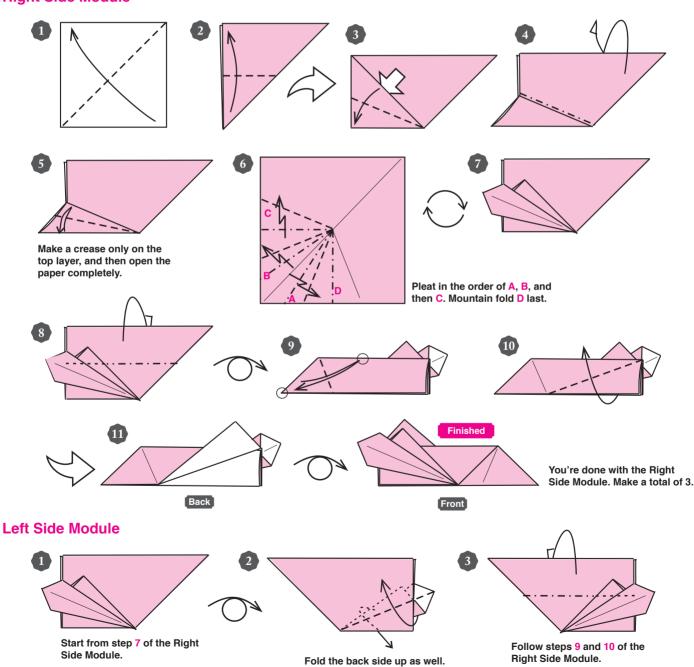
This hybrid wreath connects the Moon Rabbit (from Japanese folklore) and Dumplings with Susuki Grass modules. Put it on your wall and enjoy your moonlight party!

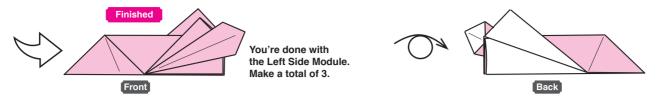
▶ Use 8 pieces of square paper (1 for the Moon Rabbit, 6 for Susuki Grass, and 1 for Dumplings) and rectangular paper (cut according to the diagram to the right). If you use 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) paper for the Susuki Grass, the dimensions of the wreath will be 6.75 in (17 cm) wide and 7.5 in (19 cm) high.



Susuki Grass

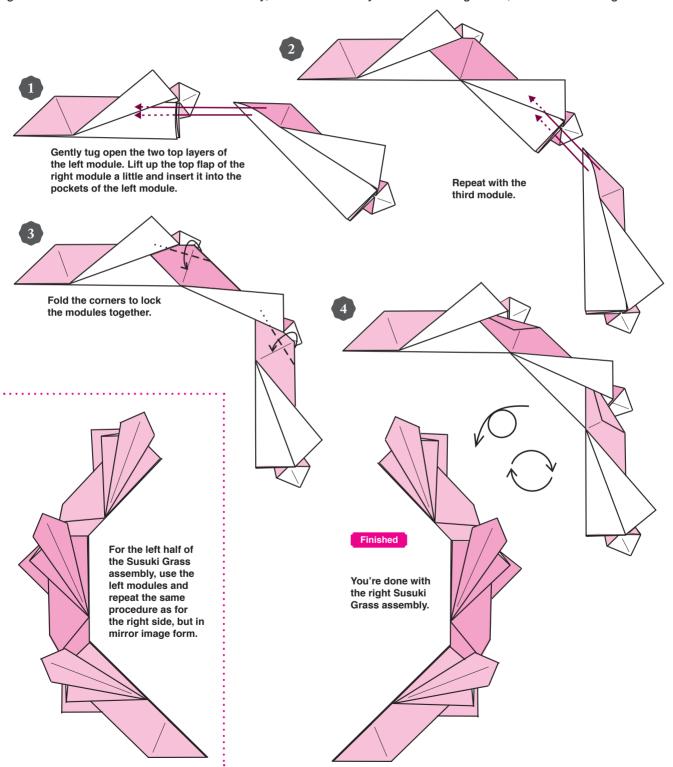
Right Side Module



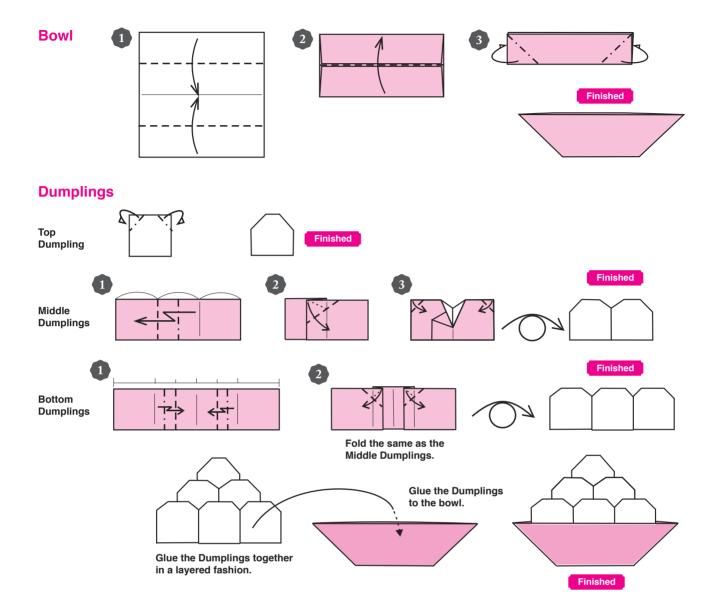


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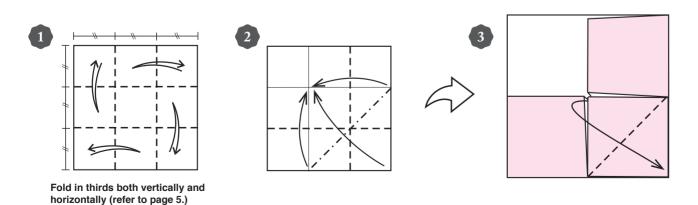
Connect the modules from the back side. Below, I explain how to make the right half of the Susuki Grass using the Right Side Modules. For the left half assembly, do the same as you did for the right half, but in mirror image form.

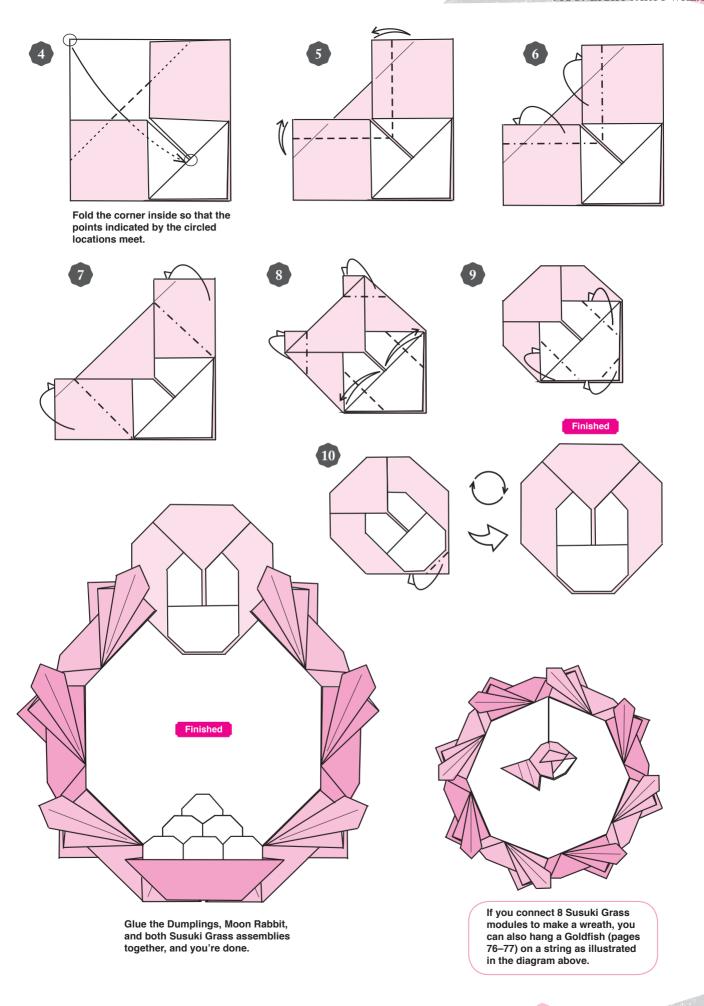


Dumplings



Moon Rabbit

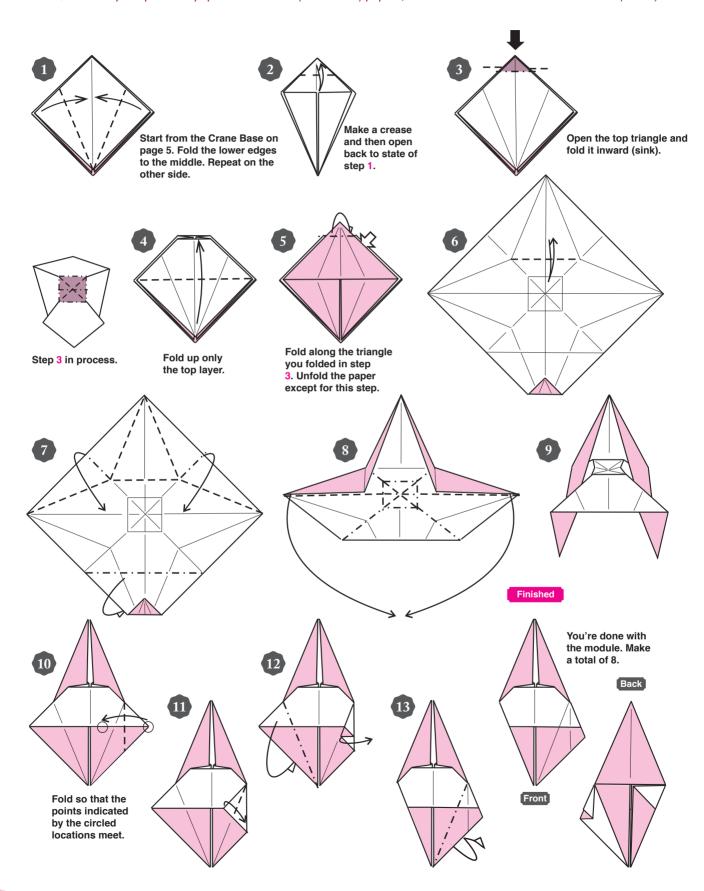






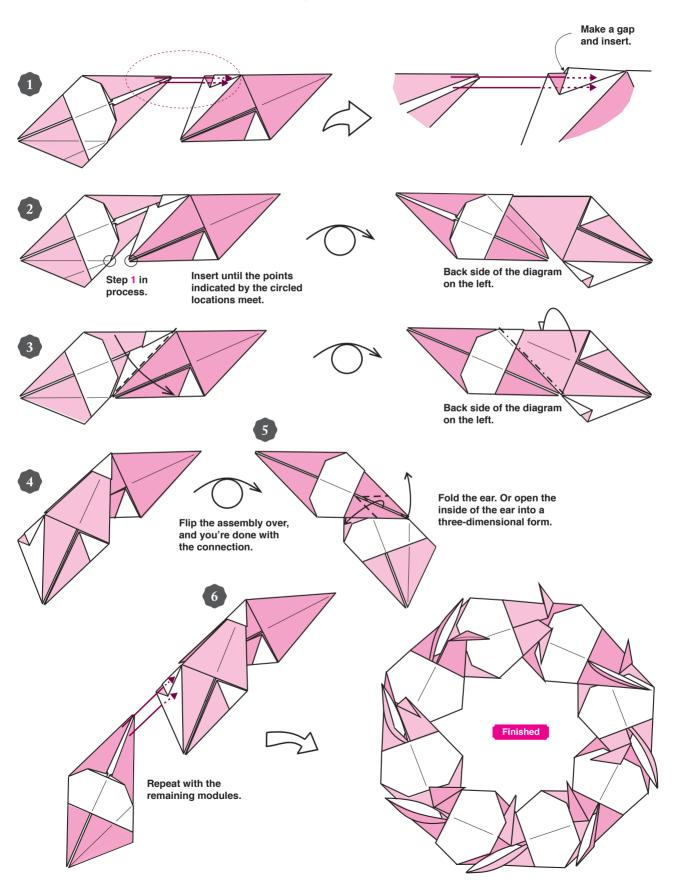
When you attach the bunnies, you may find it helpful to use a paper clip to connect each module.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 8.25 in (21 cm).



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Connect the modules like those for the Auspicious Cranes Wreath on page 32. Inset the flap of the right module so that it's held by the tip of the left module. Follow the diagrams carefully.



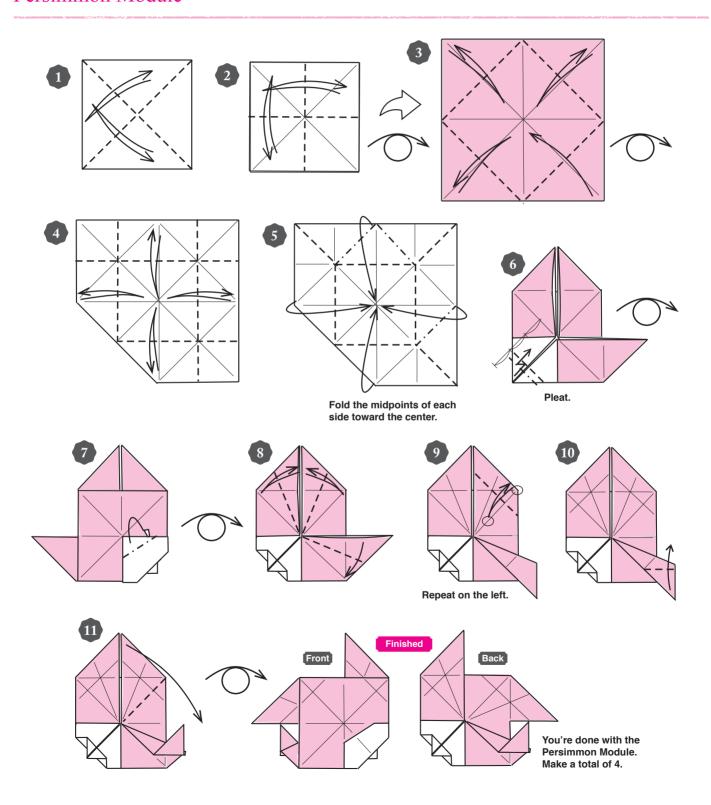


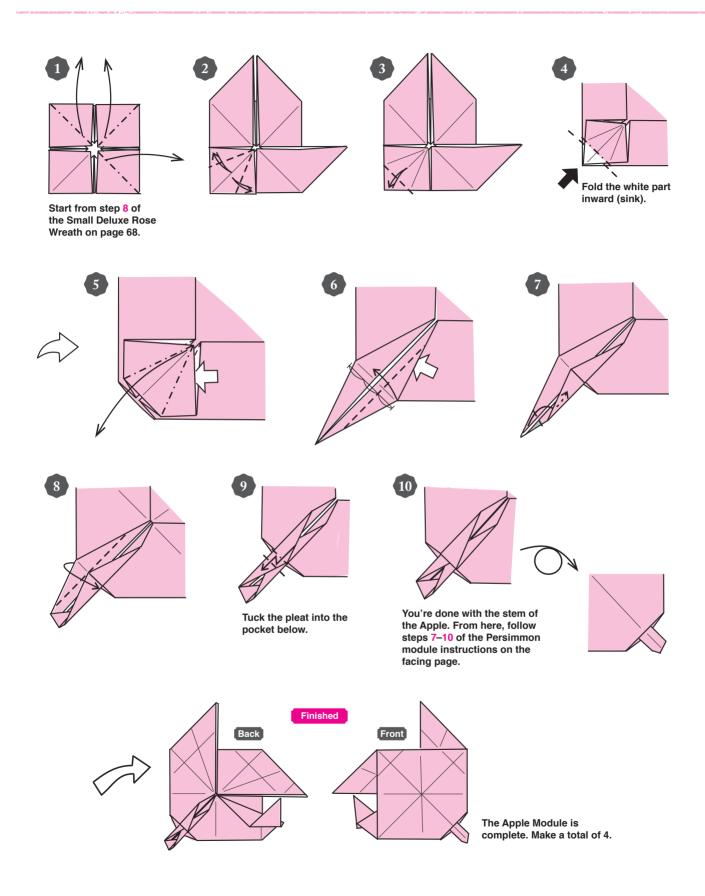
Fall Harvest Wreath

This is a wreath of persimmons and apples. You can make apples by slightly altering the persimmon fold. They both connect in the same way.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 \times 6-in (15 \times 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 10.5 in (27 cm).

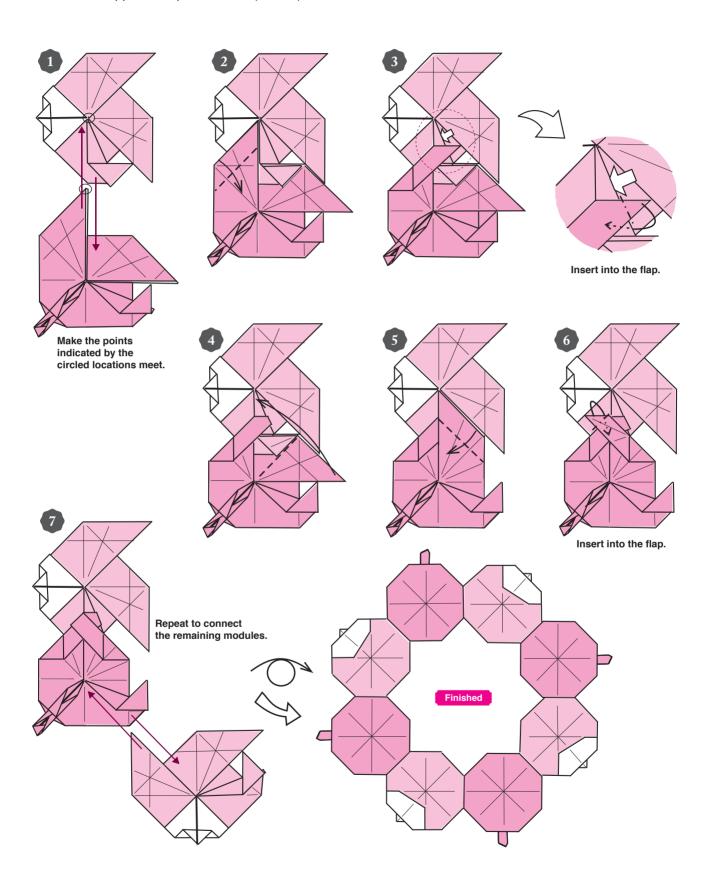
Persimmon Module





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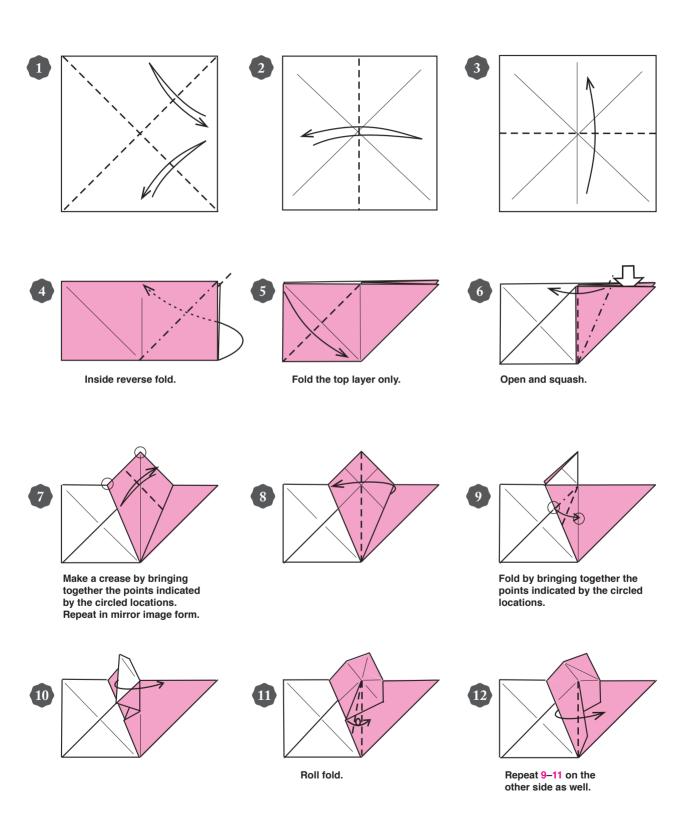
Make a total of 8 apples and persimmons (4 each), and then connect them from the back side.

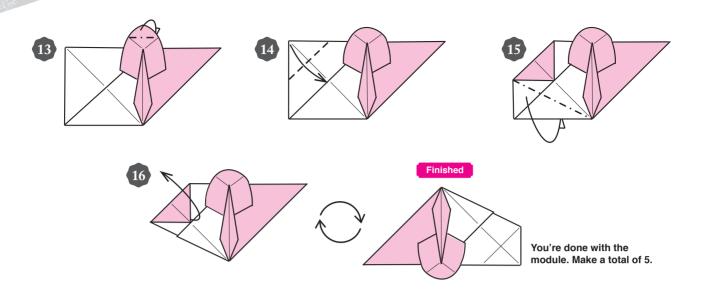




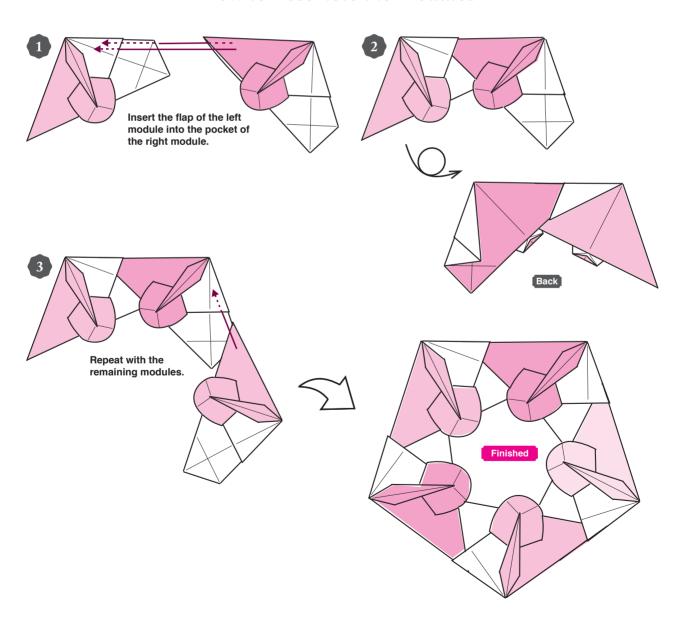
Matsutake mushrooms are one of the staple autumn foods in Japan. This wreath looks best when you make it with smaller paper. But first, practice making a module with a larger piece of paper to learn the basics.

▶ Use 5 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 4.25 in (11 cm).





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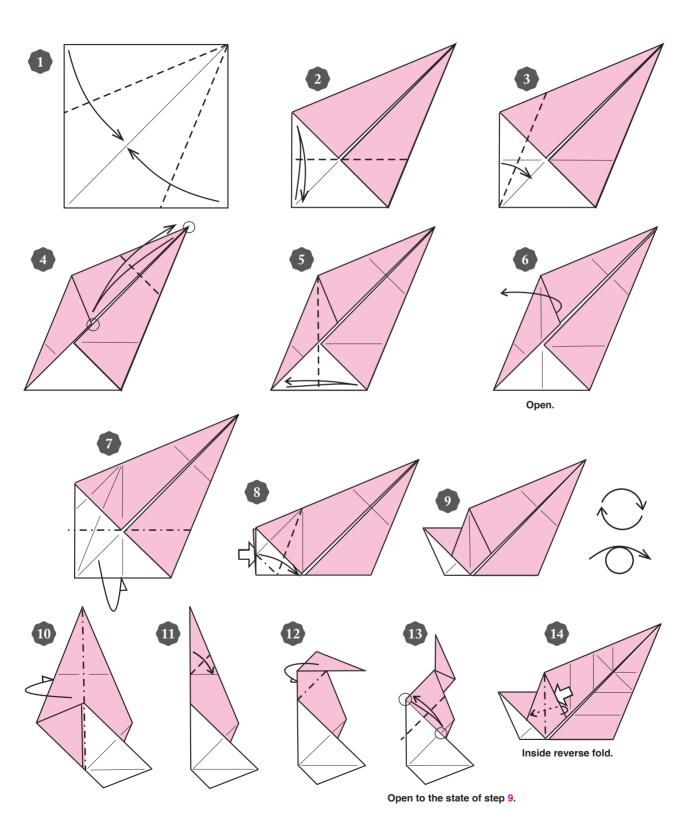


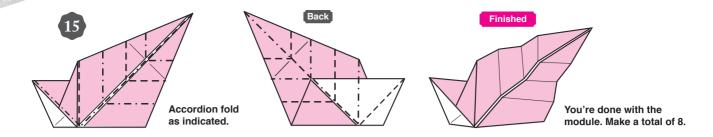


Fallen Leaves Wreath

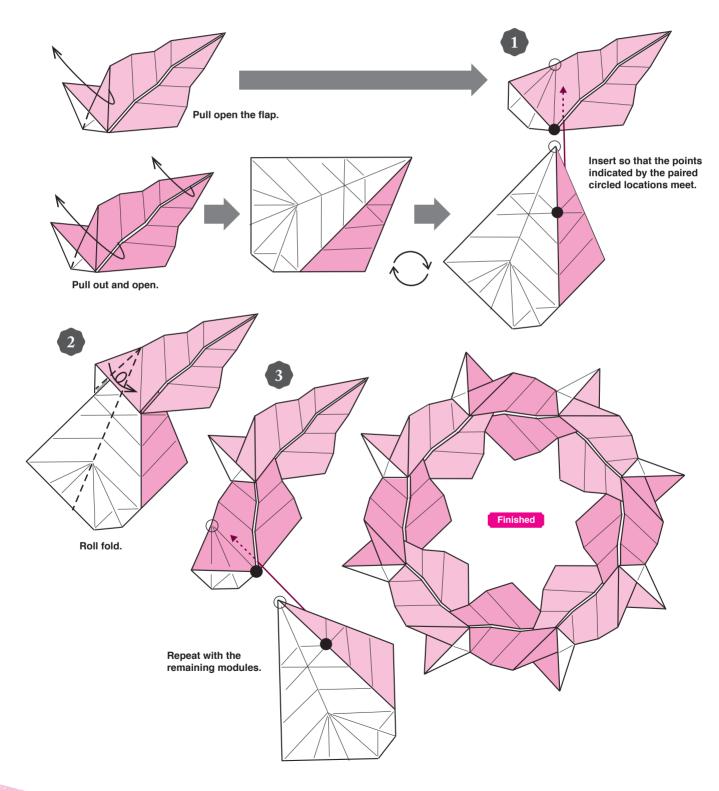
As you connect the stems to leaves while assembling the modules, the wreath becomes slightly three-dimensional. The color of fallen leaves vary, so feel free to use lots of colors.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 7.75 in (20 cm).





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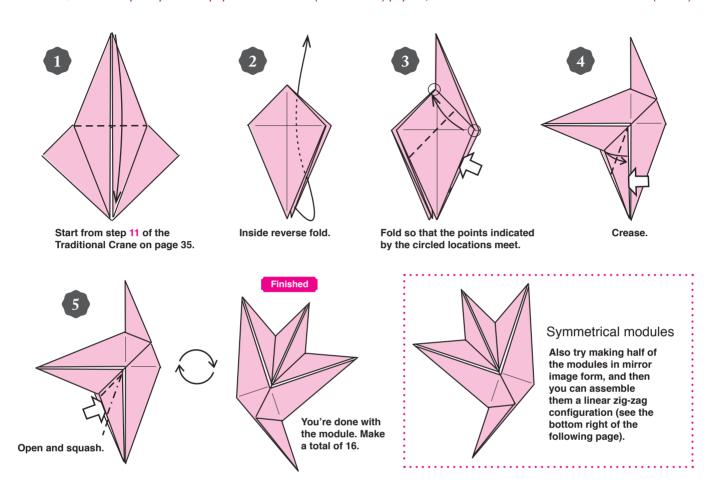




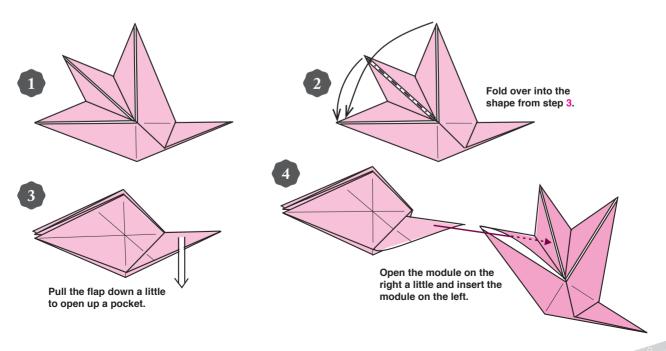
Japanese Maple Leaves Wreath

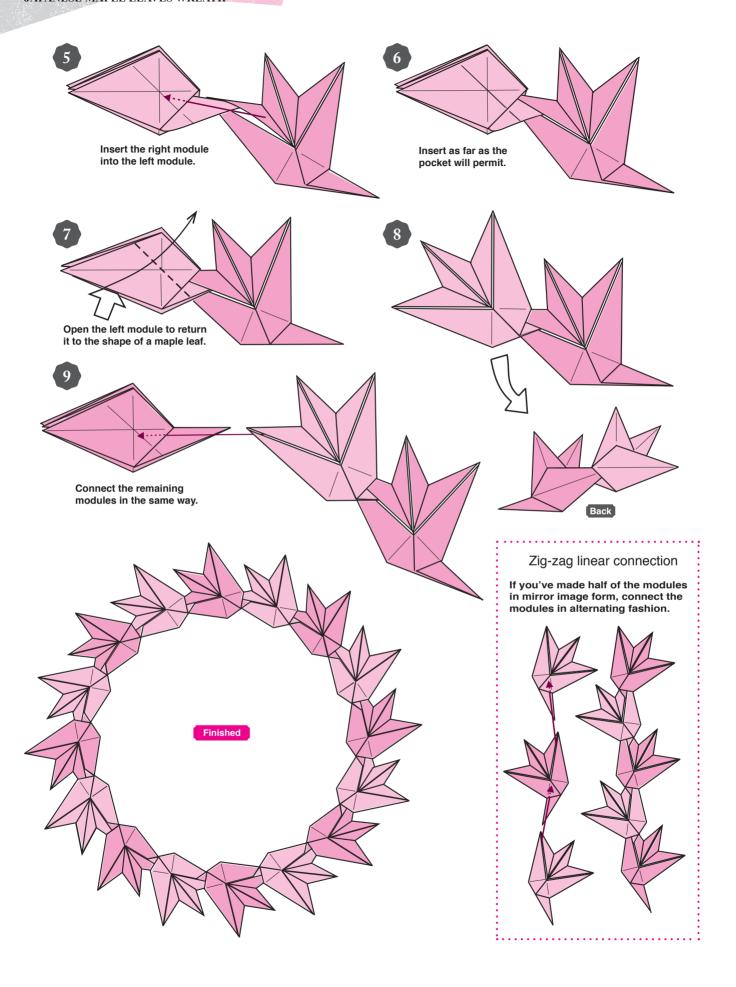
I made this Wreath with the same procedure used for the Wisteria Vine Wreath (page 64). As this is a thin wreath, the modules can also be configured into a linear zig-zag pattern.

▶ Use 16 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 10.25 in (26 cm).



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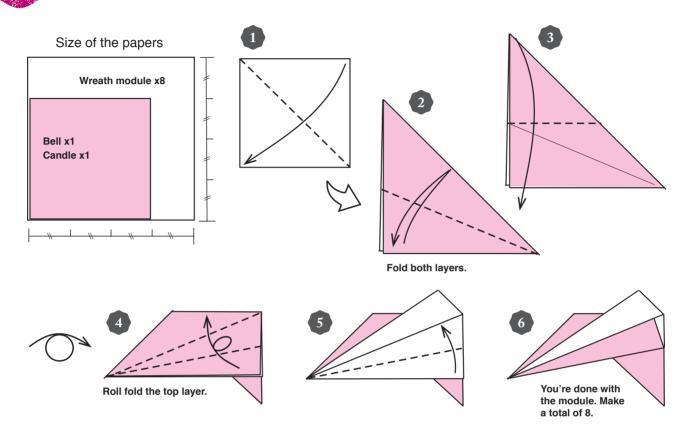


Poinsettias Wreath

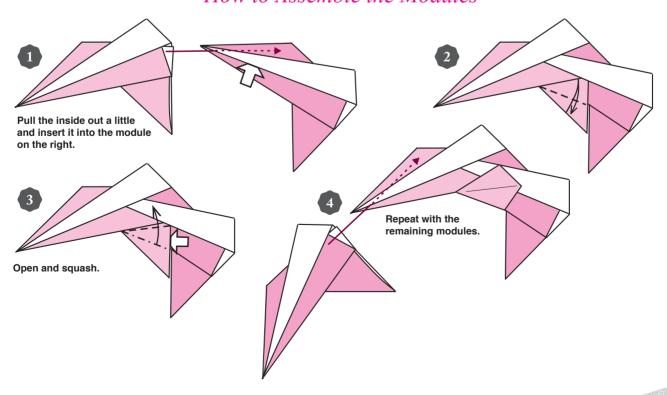


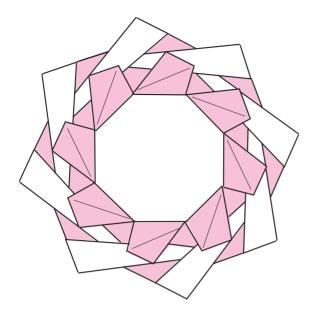
If you use double-sided (duo) paper, you can make a fancy looking wreath. You can also use this decoration as a Christmas-tree ornament.

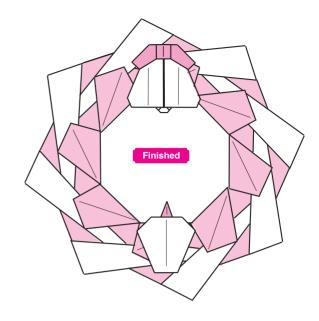
▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 10.25 in (26 cm).



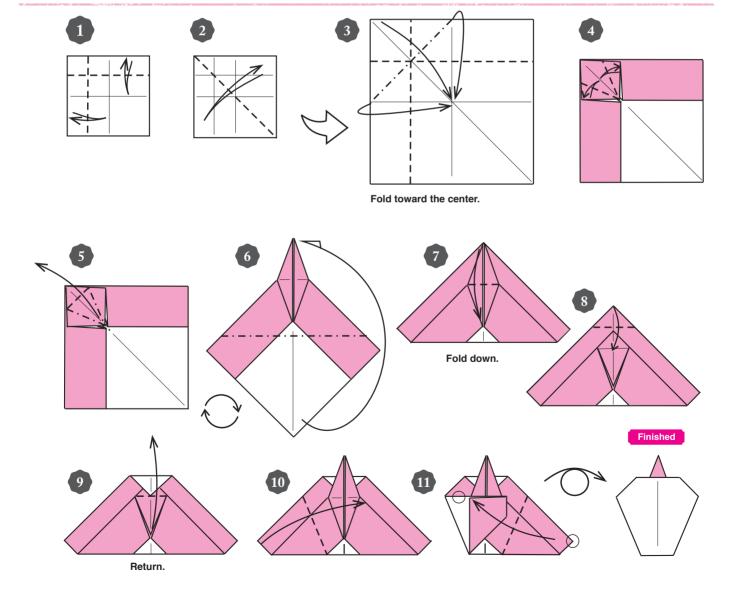
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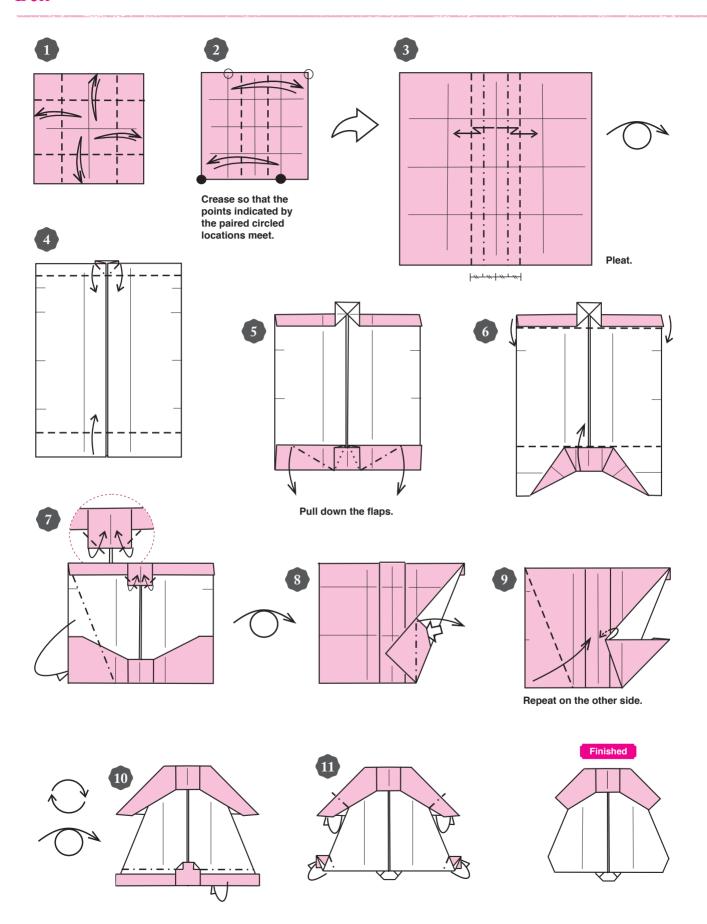




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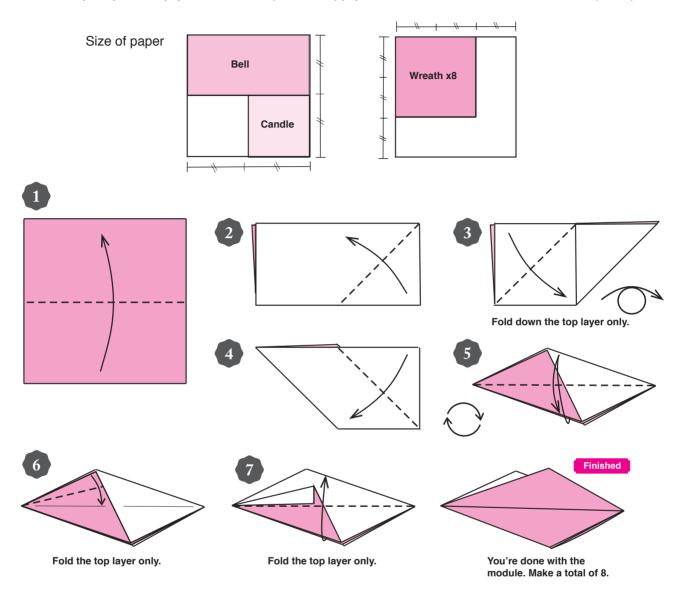
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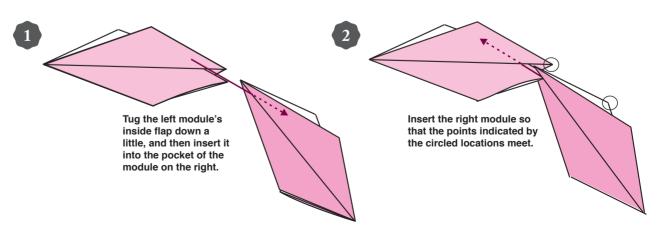


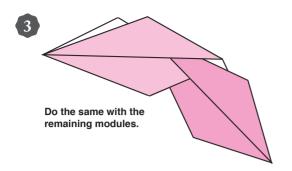
This is a classic wreath. Just because it's Christmas doesn't mean that only bells and candles are appropriate accompaniments. Try decorating this wreath with origami animals too.

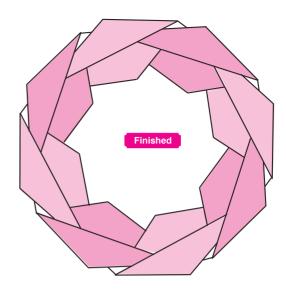
▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 4 x 4-in (10 x 10-cm) papers the diameter of the wreath will be 7.5 in (19 cm).



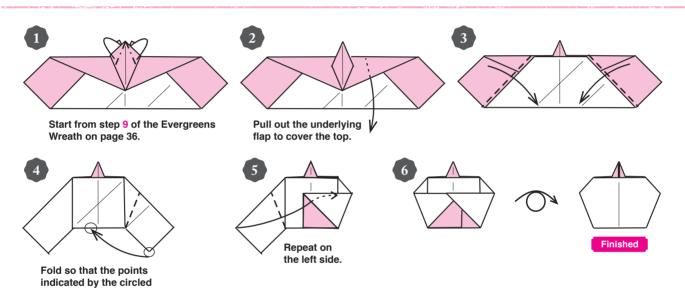
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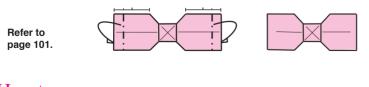


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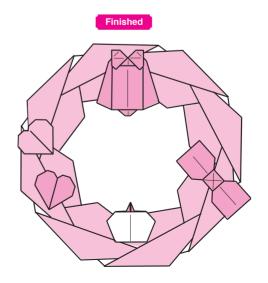
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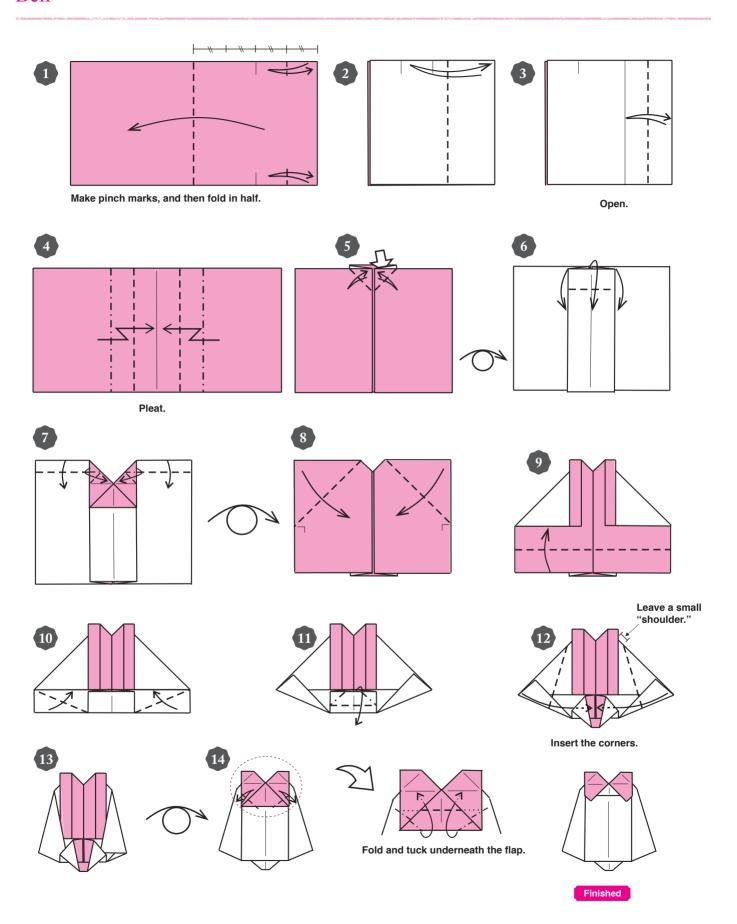
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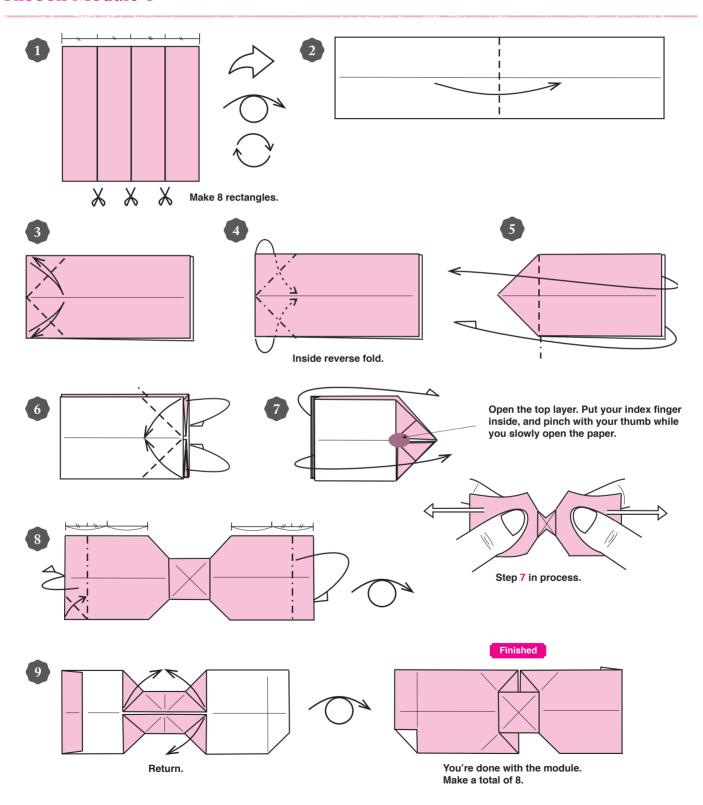




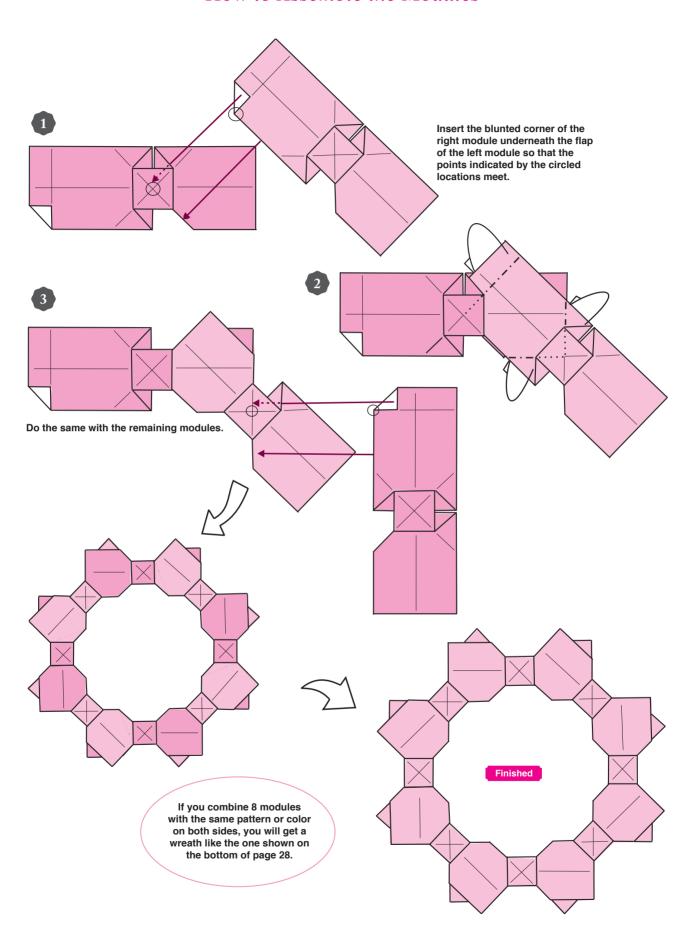
It's possible to make a wreath out of origami ribbon modules without adding any flaps or pockets. Folding each module with care is essential to making a nice wreath.

▶ Use 8 rectangular pieces of 1:4 paper. With 6 x 1.5-in (15 x 3.75-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 7.75 in (20 cm).

Ribbon Module 1



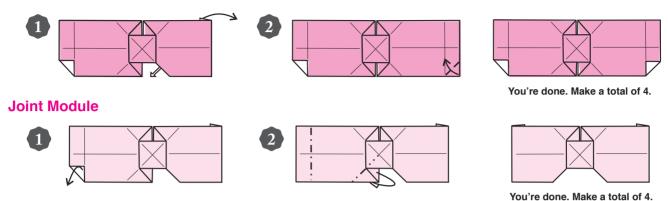
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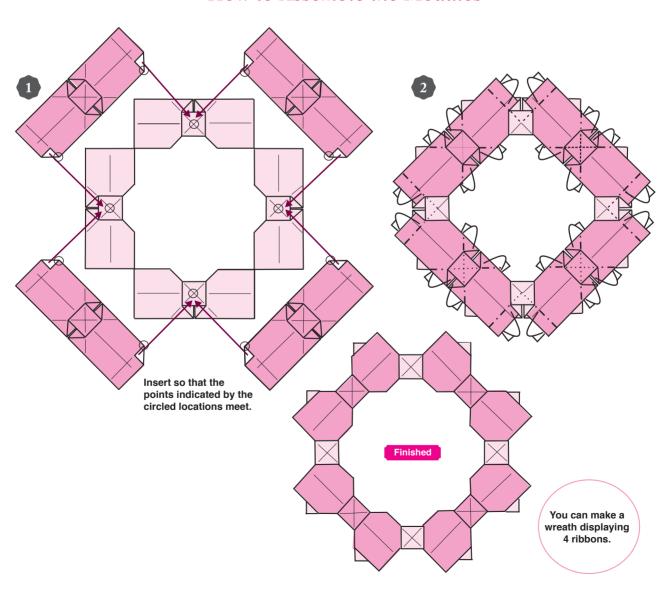
Ribbon Module 2

Both the Ribbon 2 Module and the Joint Module are made by modifying Ribbon 1 Module.

Ribbon 2 Module



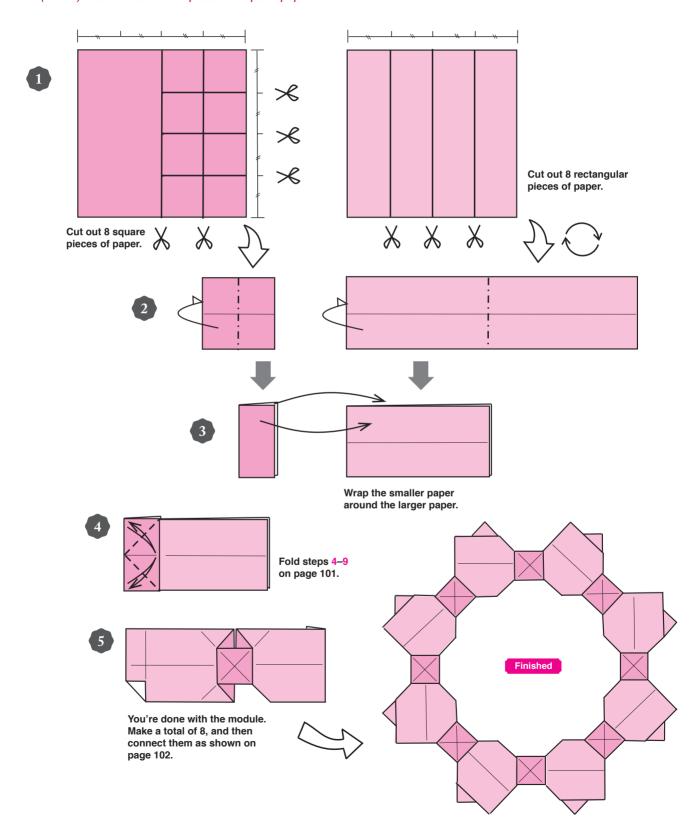
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When you put a square green piece of paper on the knot of a Ribbon 1 Module (page 101), you get a tulip with green leaves. You can also make a cute variation by combining the modules in a zig-zag fashion as shown on the facing page.

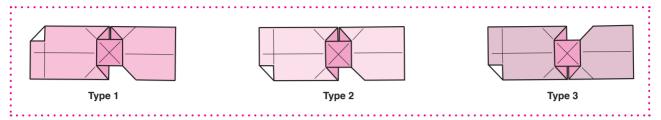
▶ Use 8 rectangular pieces of 1:4 paper. With 6 x 1.5-in (15 x 3.75-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 7.75 in (20 cm). You will also use 8 pieces of square paper.



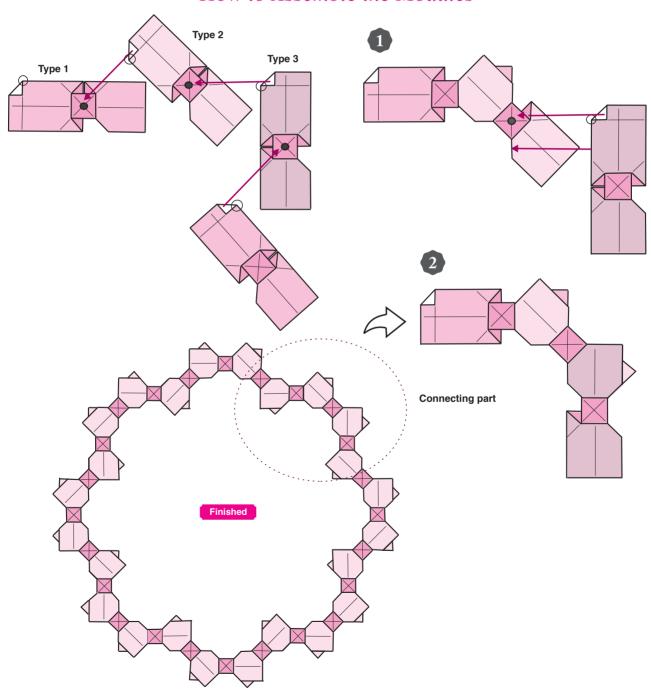
Alternate Arrangement

You can combine 3 different types of tulips. Make all of the flowers using the same color.

▶ Use 24 rectangular and square pieces of paper. With 4.75 x 1.2-in (12 x 3-cm) and 1.2 x 1.2-in (3 x 3-cm) papers, the diameter of the wreath will be 12.5 in (32 cm).



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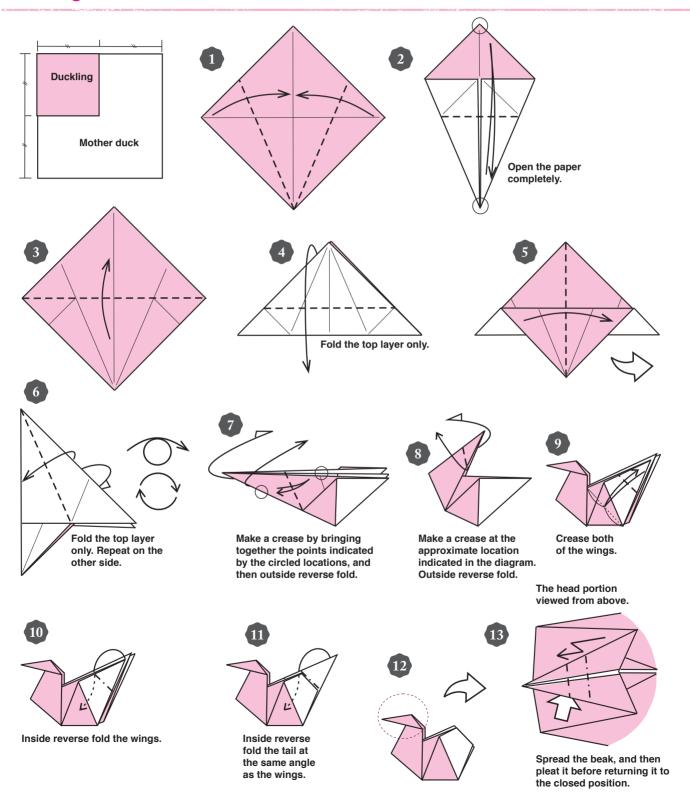


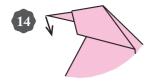
Mother Duck and Ducklings Decoration

A mother duck parading with her ducklings are a familiar sight near the edge of a stream in the early summer. Although this isn't a wreath, I've included it as a bonus project. You can stand it on a surface, or place it in a window.

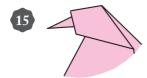
▶ Use any number of square pieces of paper that you wish. With one 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) paper for the Mother Duck, and four 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 75-cm) papers for the Ducklings, the decoration will be 6.25 in (16 cm) long.

Duckling Module





Lower the beak.





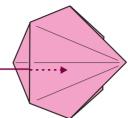


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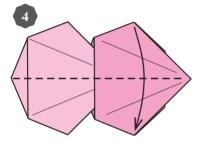
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Unfold the tail so that it sticks out like in step 11 on the facing page.

Spread open the body.

Insert the duckling on the left into the duckling on the right.





Finished

Restore the inside reverse fold on the last duckling's tail.

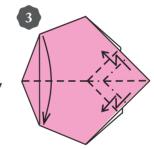
Mother Duck Module



Using a large sheet of paper, follow the Duckling instructions until the end, but don't inside reverse fold the tail. Fold the tail in half as shown. Open both wings.



Make a crease by bringing together the points indicated by the circled locations.

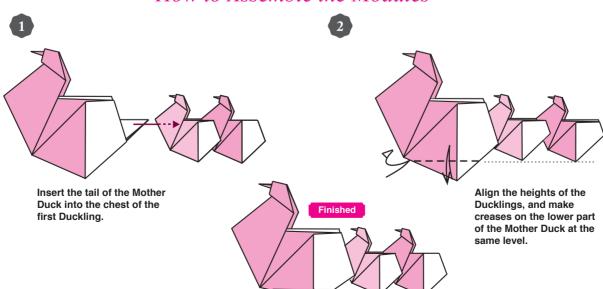


Open the inside and pleat.



You're done with the module.

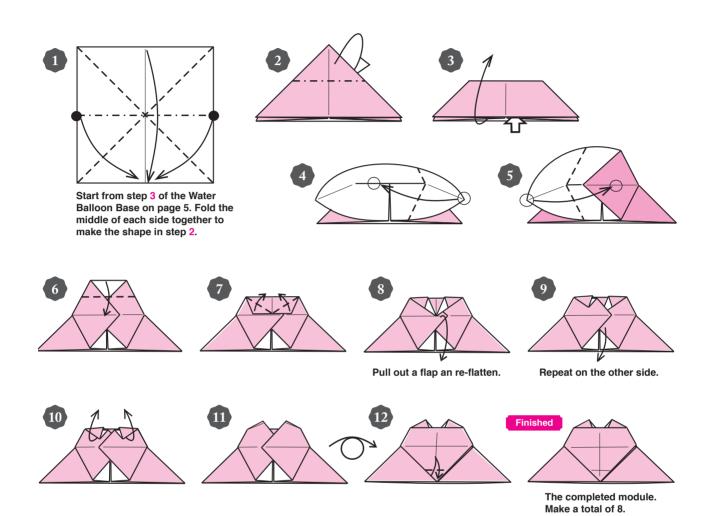
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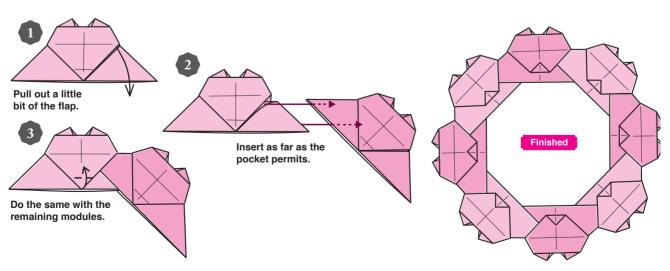


By adjusting the Water Balloon Base a little, you can make the face of a bear. You can also turn this wreath into a photo frame.

▶ Use 8 square pieces of paper. With 3 x 3-in (7.5 x 7.5-cm) paper, the diameter of the wreath will be 5.5 in (14 cm).



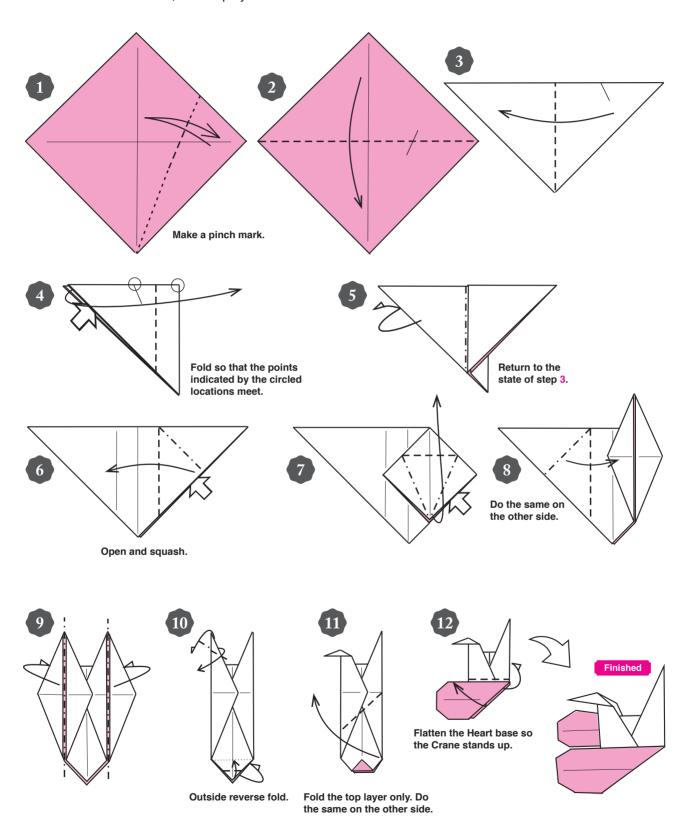
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Hearts and Cranes Centerpiece (True Hearts)

If you connect and glue several Hearts with Cranes, they can be made into a beautiful ring decoration. My friend Fumio Abe thought of an alternate name by combining the words *Turu* (crane, in Japanese) and Heart, to call it "True Heart," a little play on words.

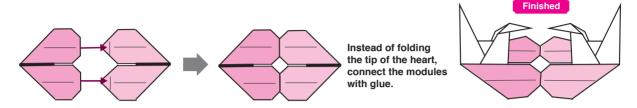


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Let's connect the modules. The different ways of connecting them enables you to try out several different configurations.

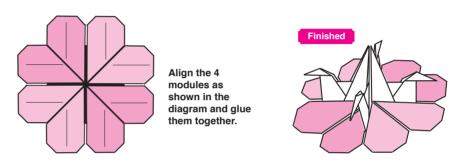
Connecting 2 (photo on the top left of page 31)

▶ Use two 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) pieces of paper. The dimensions will be 5.5 in (14 cm) wide, 3.5 in (9 cm) long and just over 2.5 in (6 cm) high.



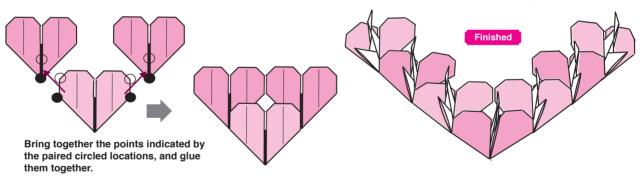
Connecting 4 (photo on the middle left of page 31)

▶ Use four 6 x 6-in (15x15-cm) pieces of paper. The diameter will be 6 in (15 cm).



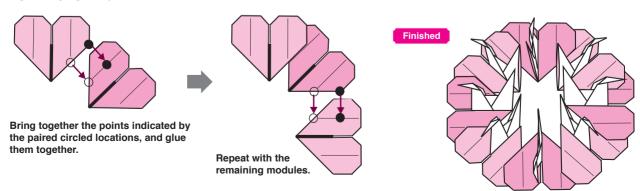
V Connection (photo on the bottom left of page 29)

▶ Use seven 6×6 -in (15x15-cm) pieces of paper. The dimensions will be 13.5 in (34 cm) wide, 8.5 in (22 cm) long and just over 2.5 in (6 cm) high.



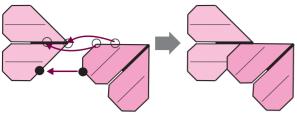
Connecting 8 A (photo on the top right of page 31)

▶ Use eight 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) pieces of paper. The diameter will be 8.5 in (22 cm).



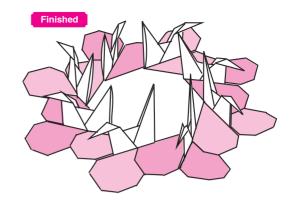
Connecting 8 B (photo on the middle right of page 31)

▶ Use eight 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) pieces of paper. The diameter will be 10.25 in (26 cm).



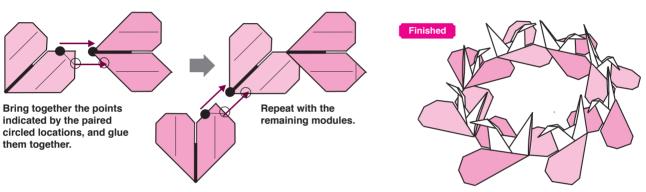
Bring together the points indicated by the paired circled locations, and glue them together.





Connecting 8 C (photo on the bottom right of page 31)

▶ Use eight 6 x 6-in (15 x 15-cm) pieces of paper. The diameter will be 11.5 in (29 cm).





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